

HOUSE No. 1093

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Martha M. Walz

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to Horace Mann charter schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Martha M. Walz

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

8th Suffolk

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By Ms. Walz of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1093) of Martha M. Walz relative to amendment or renewal of a charter for a Horace Mann charter school. Education.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to Horace Mann charter schools.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide more innovation in school districts, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 89 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in section 7 of chapter 12 of
2 the acts of 2010, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence of the first paragraph of
3 subsection (dd) and inserting in place thereof the following:-

4 The board shall develop procedures and guidelines for revocation, amendment, and
5 renewal of a school's charter; provided, however, that an amendment or renewal of a charter for a
6 Horace Mann charter school shall be subject to approval by majority vote of the school
7 committee and local collective bargaining unit in the district where said charter school is located
8 only to the extent that its initial charter required such approval; and provided, further, that a
9 commonwealth charter shall not be renewed unless the board of trustees of the charter school has
10 documented in a manner approved by the board that said commonwealth charter school has

- 11 provided models for replication and best practices to the commissioner and to other public
- 12 schools in the district where the charter school is located.