

**Committee on Public Health
Bill Summary**

Bill No. H2517

Title: *An Act to update postural screenings in schools*

Sponsor: Representative Rodney M. Elliott

Committee: Public Health

Hearing Date: June 11, 2025

Similar Matters: H2412/S1501

Prior History: Re-file of H2211 of 23-24; Referred to Public Health; Accompanied S1350; Reported favorably and referred to Health Care Financing; Reported favorably and referred to Senate Ways and Means; No further action taken.

Reporting Deadline: August 10, 2025

Current Law:

- **M.G.L. Chapter 71 § 57** requires every child in public schools and for children in private schools at the request of their parents/guardians to be tested for postural defects at least once annually in grades five through nine.

Summary:

This bill amends M.G.L. Chapter 71§57 by reducing the mandated frequency of testing children for postural defects. The bill proposes having it happen at least once in grades five through nine.