

HOUSE No. 1069

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tom Sannicandro

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 allowing public higher education institutions to retain in-state tuition.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Leah Cole</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>

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By Mr. Sannicandro of Ashland, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1069) of Tom Sannicandro and others for legislation to authorize public institutions of higher education to retain funds received as in-state tuition. Higher Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act allowing public higher education institutions to retain in-state tuition.

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 1. Chapter 15A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 42 the following section:

3 Section 43. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, all tuition
4 received by the board of trustees of the University of Massachusetts paid by students who reside
5 in the state shall be retained by the board of trustees in a revolving trust fund or funds and shall
6 be expended as the administration of the campus the student attends directs in accordance with
7 regulations established by the board. All tuition received by the boards of trustees of the state
8 universities and community colleges paid by students who reside in the state shall be retained by
9 the respective board of trustees in a revolving trust fund or funds and shall be expended as the
10 administration of the institution directs. Any balance in the trust funds at the close of the fiscal
11 years shall be available for expenditures in subsequent fiscal years and shall not revert to the
12 General Fund. For any employees of the University of Massachusetts, the state universities, and

13 the community colleges who are paid from tuition retained pursuant to this section, fringe
14 benefits shall be funded as if those employees' salaries were supported by state appropriations.
15 This section shall apply only to fringe benefits associated with salaries paid from tuition retained
16 by the boards of trustees of the University of Massachusetts, the state universities, and the
17 community colleges as a direct result of the implementation of this section.