

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1292**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Steven Ultrino*

*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 establishing a tuition free program for teachers and paraprofessionals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/18/2023</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2023</i>

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By Representative Ultrino of Malden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1292) of Steven Ultrino and Vanna Howard relative to establishing a tuition free program for teachers and paraprofessionals. Higher Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1365 OF 2021-2022.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to establishing a tuition free program for teachers and paraprofessionals.

*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 19 of Chapter 15A of the Massachusetts General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3           The Board of Higher Education shall institute, in conjunction with the Board of  
4 Education, a program to allow any public school teacher or paraprofessional presently working  
5 in the Commonwealth to attend courses at public institutions of Higher Education in the  
6 Commonwealth at no tuition cost.