HOUSE No. 1357

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James H. Fagan

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act Relative to Parent Education Programs.

PETITION OF:

NAME: James H. Fagan DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

3rd Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1399 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 107 of Chapter 460 of the 2006 Official Edition of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the first sentence the following new sentence:— No individual determined by the court to be indigent shall be required to pay any fee for such program, and further, that in any case where the combined income of the parties is less than \$40,000, the fees shall be waived.

5 SECTION 2. Said section 107 of Chapter 460, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the fourth 6 sentence and inserting in place thereof the following new sentence:— The court shall not order participation in such 7 programs for any case involving the visitation, custody or support or minor children who have attained age 12.

8 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.