

HOUSE No. 1359

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Adam J. Scanlon

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 late fees for no interest student loans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Adam J. Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>1/19/2021</i>
<i>Danillo A. Sena</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2021</i>
<i>Steven C. Owens</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2021</i>
<i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>	<i>2/8/2021</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Andres X. Vargas</i>	<i>3rd Essex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>3/15/2021</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

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By Mr. Scanlon of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1359) of Adam J. Scanlon and others relative to late fees for no interest student loans. Higher Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to late fees for no interest student loans.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a deferral of late fees for certain student loans, 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 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Massachusetts department
2 of higher education and the office of student financial assistance shall not apply late fees to no-
3 interest student loans issued pursuant to clause (cc) of section 9 of chapter 15A of the General
4 Laws from March 10, 2020 to December 31st, 2021. Any late fee paid on a no-interest student
5 loan issued pursuant to said clause (cc) of said section 9 of said chapter 15A for a payment due
6 from March 10, 2020 to the effective date of this shall be refunded within 30 days of the
7 effective date of this act.