HOUSE No. 01934

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 parental notification.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
Steven L. Levy	4th Middlesex
Dennis A. Rosa	4th Worcester
Nicholas Boldyga	3rd Hampden
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
Geoff Diehl	7th Plymouth
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol
Donald Wong	9th Essex
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex
Kevin Kuros	8th Worcester
Angelo M. Scaccia	14th Suffolk
Marc Lombardo	22nd Middlesex
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	4th Hampden
Sheila Harrington	1st Middlesex
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth

Richard J. Ross	Norfolk, Bristol, and Middlesex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
John J. Binienda	17th Worcester
James J. Dwyer	30th Middlesex
Nick Collins	4th Suffolk
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Bruce J. Ayers	1st Norfolk

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1934) of Frost and others relative to parental notification Joint Committee on Education.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to parental notification.

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.Section 32A of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
- 2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the section in its entirety and inserting in place
- 3 thereof the following:
- 4 Section 32A. Every city, town, regional school district or vocational school district implementing
- 5 or maintaining curriculum, or a school sanctioned program or activity, which primarily involves
- 6 human sexual education, human sexuality issues, or sexual orientation issues shall adopt a
- 7 written policy ensuring parental or legal guardian notification.
- 8 Such curriculum programs and activities, which primarily involves human sexual education,
- 9 human sexuality issues, or sexual orientation, shall be offered only in clearly identified non-
- 10 mandatory elective courses in which parents or guardians may choose to enroll their children

- 11 through written notification to the school, in a manner reasonably similar to other elective
- 12 courses offered by the school district.
- 13 To the extent practicable, instruction materials and related items for said curriculum, programs,
- 14 and activities shall be made reasonably accessible to parents, guardians, educators, school
- 15 administrators, and others for inspection and review.
- 16 No public school teacher or administrator shall be required to participate in any such curriculum
- 17 program and activities which primarily involves human sexual education, human sexuality
- 18 issues, or sexual orientation issues that violate his or her religious beliefs.