

HOUSE No. 2039

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Sheila C. Harrington

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 requiring public school districts to add civics to their curriculum.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>William Crocker</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>

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By Mrs. Harrington of Groton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2039) of Sheila C. Harrington and others for legislation to require public school districts to include civics in their curriculum. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act requiring public school districts to add civics to their curriculum.

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

- 1 Every public school district shall require all students to complete a section in civics
- 2 before graduating from secondary school. Civics education course may be offered at either the
- 3 secondary school or intermediate school level at the discretion of the Administration of the
- 4 school district. Said course may be incorporated into a social studies curriculum if applicable.