

HOUSE No. 2046

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Hannah Kane

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 to allow for school districts to collect a fee associated with nonresident pupil transportation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>

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By Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2046) of Hannah Kane and others for legislation to allow school districts to collect a fee associated with nonresident pupil transportation. Education.

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

An Act to allow for school districts to collect a fee associated with nonresident pupil transportation.

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 8A of Chapter 74 of the general laws, as appearing in the 2012
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the section and inserting in place thereof the
3 following:-

4 Section 8A. A municipality, wherein a person resides who is admitted to a day school in
5 another town under section 7, may, through its school committee, when necessary, provide for
6 the transportation of such person and may provide the transportation for a fee regardless of
7 where the pupil lives; provided further that said fee shall operate within a similar fee structure
8 that currently exists in sending town, provided further that said fee shall not be higher than the
9 highest rate with which is charged by the home, sending district for students that are attending an
10 in-district home school, but a student eligible for a free or reduced lunch under the federal school
11 lunch program shall not be required to pay a fee; provided that a school committee may choose
12 to exempt families at other income levels as it may determine; provided further, that no

13 transportation shall be provided for any pupil who resides less than 1 ½ miles from the school
14 which he attends. A municipality shall not be required under the provisions of this section to
15 provide for the transportation of a person who has completed the twelfth grade of school or the
16 equivalent thereto.