

HOUSE No. 3719

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act clarifying participation in athletic safety programs.

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. Subsection (a) of section 222 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence
3 and inserting in place thereof the following:—

4 Participation in the program shall be required of coaches, trainers and parent volunteers
5 for any extracurricular athletic activity; physicians and nurses who are employed by a school or
6 school district or who volunteer to assist with an extracurricular athletic activity; school athletic
7 directors; directors responsible for a school marching band; and a parent or legal guardian of a
8 child who participates in an extracurricular athletic activity. The persons required to participate
9 in the program under this subsection shall be required to take such program every 2 years;
10 provided, however, if the department has made changes to the program since the prior year, such
11 persons must participate in the updated program.