

HOUSE No. 410

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia A. Haddad

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 requiring instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automatic external defibrillators for high school graduation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Patricia A. Haddad	5th Bristol
Michael A. Costello	1st Essex
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Alice Hanlon Peisch	14th Norfolk
Denis E. Guyer	2nd Berkshire
Walter F. Timilty	7th Norfolk
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Alice K. Wolf	25th Middlesex
John J. Binienda	17th Worcester
John P. Fresolo	16th Worcester
Carlo P. Basile	1st Suffolk
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol
Lida E. Harkins	13th Norfolk
Cory Atkins	14th Middlesex
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex
Jay R. Kaufman	15th Middlesex
Michael F. Rush	10th Suffolk

John W. Scibak	2nd Hampshire
James T. Welch	6th Hampden
Jennifer L. Flanagan	Worcester and Middlesex
Michael J. Rodrigues	8th Bristol
James Cantwell	4th Plymouth
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION

SEE HOUSE, NO. 439 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT REQUIRING INSTRUCTION IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND THE USE OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.

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

1 The first paragraph of section 1 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the sixth sentence and inserting in place thereof the following 2
3 sentences:-

4 All public high school students shall be required to study and to demonstrate a general knowledge of
5 cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automatic external defibrillators as a prerequisite for graduation. The
6 department of education shall pay the cost of such instruction, which may be taught by anyone who is certified in
7 cardiopulmonary resuscitation.