

HOUSE No. 431

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce J. Ayers

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 expand the Massachusetts School Building Authority and create a new program to assist public school districts with 21st century technology upgrades.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>	<i>1/18/2023</i>

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By Representative Ayers of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 431) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to technology upgrade programs for public schools. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 541 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act to expand the Massachusetts School Building Authority and create a new program to assist public school districts with 21st century technology upgrades.

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

1 Chapter 70B of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

2 Section 21. The authority shall create a technology upgrade program for school districts
3 to provide partial funding throughout the commonwealth for school technology upgrades. The
4 technology upgrade program shall be a competitive grant program and its grants shall be
5 distributed by the authority on the basis of need and urgency. The authority shall maintain
6 funding for all capital programs in existence on January 1, 2023 in an amount equal to or greater
7 than the funding for said programs in fiscal year 2023.