

HOUSE No. 452

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John H. Rogers

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 protecting children's programs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>

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By Mr. Rogers of Norwood, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 452) of John H. Rogers for legislation to require certain skating rinks to provide children's programs as a condition for obtaining alcoholic beverage licenses. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act protecting children's 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 Chapter 138 of the General Laws is amended by inserting after Section 78 the following
2 section:-

3 Section 79. Any not-for-profit corporation owning or operating a skating facility in the
4 Commonwealth that has been granted, transferred, or otherwise authorized, as of July 1, 2020, to
5 possess or obtain an all-alcohol liquor license or any other type of liquor license, authorized by
6 this chapter, shall be suspended, unless and until the Commission certifies and reports in writing
7 to the House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means and the Joint Committee on Consumer
8 Protection and Professional Licensure, that any such skating facility provides:

9 (i) a minimum of 20 hours of weekday ice time per week to any girls and boys high
10 school hockey program during its season, free of charge, as a community benefit, in the
11 municipality in which the skating facility is situated or any such facility where such corporation
12 is headquartered; and

13 (ii) a minimum of 10 hours of weekday ice time per week to the not-for-profit girls and
14 boys youth hockey program during its season, free of charge, as a community benefit, in the
15 municipality in which the skating facility is situated or any such facility where such corporation
16 is headquartered;