

HOUSE No. 457

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David F. DeCoste, (BY REQUEST)

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 parental rights legislation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas Durfee</i>		<i>1/20/2023</i>

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By Representative DeCoste of Norwell (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 457) of Thomas Durfee that local public schools and school committees be authorized to reject any and all guidance and directives from Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Education.

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

An Act parental rights legislation.

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

1 Local public school jurisdictions and school committees have the right to reject any and
2 all guidance and directives from DESE entirely or at the line item level without any fear of
3 reprisal in the form of faculty and administration losing their licensure, criminal referrals of
4 faculty, administration or school committee members, or the withholding of state funds. The
5 power to dictate all policy and procedure in local school jurisdictions is held by the school
6 committee members and the citizens and parents that elect them.