

HOUSE No. 466

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Poirier

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 requiring parental consent on sex education in public schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>Raymond T. Neary</i>	<i>6 Lantern Lane</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Medfield, MA 02052</i>

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By Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 466) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others for legislation to require parental consent on sex education in public schools. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 466 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act requiring parental consent on sex education in public schools.

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

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2 SECTION 1. 32A of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official
3 Edition is hereby amended by striking out the section in its entirety and replacing it thereof with
4 the following: —

5 Any city, town or school district maintaining or implementing any curriculum, unit of
6 study, school-sanctioned program or activity which involves sex education shall offer it only on
7 an elective basis. Given five school days notice, prior review of said materials, as well as the
8 questioning of teachers and administrators involved, will be extended to parents, guardians
9 and/or their legal representatives. Written parent or guardian permission will be required for

10 student participation. No public school teacher or employee who feels that such curriculum or
11 activity violates his or her religious beliefs shall be required to participate in any way.