

HOUSE No. 475

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act requiring instruction in CPR and the use of defibrillators for high school graduation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Nika C. Elugardo</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>
<i>Christopher Hendricks</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>
<i>Paul J. Donato</i>	<i>35th Middlesex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Nick Collins</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>

<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>Norman J. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Thomas P. Walsh</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>

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By Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 475) of Patricia A. Haddad and others relative to requiring instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of defibrillators for high school graduation. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3733 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act requiring instruction in CPR and the use of 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
2 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the sixth sentence and inserting in place
3 thereof the following sentences:-

4 All public high school students shall be required to study and to demonstrate a general
5 knowledge of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automatic external defibrillators as a
6 prerequisite for graduation. The instruction must be based on an instructional program
7 established by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross or another program
8 which is nationally recognized and uses the most current national evidence-based Emergency
9 Cardiovascular Care guidelines and incorporates psychomotor skills development into the
10 instruction. (1) “Psychomotor skills” is defined as the use of hands-on practicing and skills

11 testing to support cognitive learning. A licensed teacher shall not be required to be a certified
12 trainer of cardiopulmonary resuscitation, to facilitate, provide or oversee such instruction for
13 non- certification. Courses which result in a certification being earned are required to be taught
14 by an authorized CPR/AED instructor.