

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 509**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Timothy R. Whelan***

*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 relative to regional school transportation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>
<i>Thomas P. Kennedy</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Leah Cole</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>

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By Mr. Whelan of Brewster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 509) of Timothy R. Whelan and others for legislation to exempt regional school transportation funds from the Governor's ability to make reductions due to revenue deficiencies. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 405 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to regional school transportation.

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

1 SECTION 1. SECTION 2E of Chapter 131 of the Acts of 2010 is hereby amended by  
2 adding at the end the following:

3 Regional School Transportation shall not be lowered by 9C cuts of the Governor, but  
4 rather by vote of the Legislature. Further, any reductions made by the legislature shall not be  
5 greater than the percentage reduction in Chapter 70 school aid.