

HOUSE No. 5174

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

The committee on Higher Education, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1321) of Bruce J. Ayers for legislation to create a scholarship fund to increase the number of medical providers who are knowledgeable in autism; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1323) of Peter J. Durant for legislation to require higher educational institutions to provide certain information to students applying for or changing their major field of study; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1326) of Sean Garballey relative to graduation rates for students with intellectual or developmental disabilities at public colleges and universities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1327) of Sean Garballey and Andres X. Vargas relative to higher education tuition and fee waivers for adopted foster children; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1332) of Sean Garballey relative to financial opportunities and state administrative policies in higher education; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1341) of Daniel J. Hunt and others for legislation to provide full student representation on the University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1343) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to financial literacy counseling for students accepted at public institutions of higher education; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1344) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to the expansion of the valedictorian tuition waiver program in the public system of higher education; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1345) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for an investigation by a special task force (including members of the General Court) relative to the economic and educational impacts of establishing public private partnerships between higher educational institutions and private corporations; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1348) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to in-state tuition rates and fees at public institutions of higher education; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1351) of Liz Miranda and others relative to Covid-19 testing on public higher education campuses; the petition

(accompanied by bill, House, No. 1354) of Tim Wallis and Michelle M. DuBois relative to the Board of Higher Education creating a centralized system for connecting federal funding benefits for higher education and to further regulate tuition for veterans; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1359) of Adam J. Scanlon and others relative to late fees for no interest student loans; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1360) of Adam J. Scanlon and Elizabeth A. Malia relative to admission requirements for public institutions of higher education; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1361) of Paul A. Schmid, III and others relative to higher education capital investments in gateway municipalities or abutting municipalities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1362) of Alan Silvia and Christopher Hendricks relative to residential preference for financial aid at public institutions of higher education; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1363) of Thomas M. Stanley and others relative to adjunct faculty wages; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1365) of Steven Ultrino and others relative to establishing a tuition free program for teachers and paraprofessionals; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1366) of Erika Uytterhoeven and Carol A. Doherty for legislation to establish grow your own teacher preparation programs higher education grants; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1369) of Andres X. Vargas and others relative to reporting equity in higher education; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3957) of Mike Connolly, Erika Uytterhoeven and others relative to compelling the president and fellows of Harvard College to divest from fossil fuel; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3958) of Jack Patrick Lewis and others relative to providing religious accommodations for students at institutions of higher education during exams; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4147) of Sheila C. Harrington and others relative to the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency and Mount Wachusett Community College providing technical education and economic opportunity for citizens with autism, reports the accompanying Order (House, No. 5174) ought to be adopted [Representative Pease of Westfield dissenting].

For the committee,

DAVID M. ROGERS.

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House of Representatives,

1 *Ordered,* That the committee on Higher Education be authorized to sit during a recess of
2 the General Court to make an investigation and study of House documents numbered 1321,
3 1323, 1326, 1327, 1332, 1341, 1343, 1344, 1345, 1348, 1351, 1354, 1359, 1360, 1361, 1362,
4 1363, 1365, 1366, 1369, 3957, 3958 and 4147, relative to tuition, financial aid, and other related
5 matters.

6 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
7 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
8 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
9 on or before December 31, 2022.