## **HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 563**

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael S. Day

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 establishing a hate crimes grant program.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Michael S. Day	31st Middlesex	2/1/2021
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire	2/22/2021
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire	2/25/2021
Mathew J. Muratore	1st Plymouth	2/26/2021
William J. Driscoll, Jr.	7th Norfolk	2/26/2021
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	3/2/2021
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk	3/18/2021

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By Mr. Day of Stoneham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 563) of Michael S. Day and others relative to the establishment of a grant program for the education and prevention of hate crimes and incidences of bias in public schools. Education.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 4108 OF 2019-2020.]

#### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

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

- Chapter 69 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 1P the following section:-
- 3 Section 1Q. The department of elementary and secondary education, in coordination with
- 4 the executive office of public safety and security and the Massachusetts governor's hate crimes
- 5 task force, shall establish a grant program, subject to appropriation, for the education and
- 6 prevention of hate crimes and incidences of bias in public schools. The grants shall be used for
- 7 education and prevention programs in school districts for the purposes of education, professional
- 8 development, prevention, or community outreach. The department shall develop guidelines
- 9 governing the implementation of this grant program. In awarding grants, priority shall be given
- 10 to communities with an identified need.