

HOUSE No. 604

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Andres X. Vargas

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 routine childhood immunizations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Andres X. Vargas</i>	<i>3rd Essex</i>	<i>1/9/2023</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/24/2023</i>

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By Representative Vargas of Haverhill, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 604) of Andres X. Vargas and Jack Patrick Lewis relative to routine childhood immunization reports made by schools. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to routine childhood immunizations.

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 15 of chapter 76 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by striking out the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following
3 2 paragraphs:-

4 All schools, whether public, private, or charter, that provide education to children in any
5 combination of grade levels from kindergarten to grade 12, inclusive, shall annually report to the
6 department total numbers of children who are successfully immunized in accordance with
7 section 15 of chapter 76 and who are exempted from immunization requirements. The
8 department shall designate the methodology for reporting.

9 The department shall annually publish and make publicly available aggregate
10 immunizations and exemptions data for each school and school district, provided, that publishing
11 and making publicly available such data shall not be required if it would result in disclosure of
12 personal information as defined in section 1 of chapter 93H or otherwise violate applicable

- 13 privacy laws. The department may also publish data by municipality, county, or other geographic
- 14 designation, or otherwise in its discretion.