SENATE No. 00201

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Benjamin B. Downing

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to CPR certification for athletic coaches.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Benjamin B. Downing	Berkshire, Hampshire, and Franklin
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex
Michael J. Rodrigues	First Bristol and Plymouth
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol
James E. Timilty	Bristol and Norfolk
Peter V. Kocot	1st Hampshire
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex, Suffolk, and Essex
Denise Andrews	2nd Franklin
Angelo D'Emilia	8th Plymouth
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Karen E. Spilka	Second Middlesex and Norfolk

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By Mr. Downing, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 201) of Spilka, Knapik, D'Emilia and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to CPR certification for athletic coaches [Joint Committee on Education].

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to CPR certification for athletic coaches.

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 47A of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008

2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence:-

3 All coaches shall be required to have a current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation

4 from the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, or other agency approved by the

5 Department of Public Health. Such requirement shall not apply to physically disabled coaches.

6 A school district which hires a coach under this chapter shall not be responsible for costs

7 associated with said certification.

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SECTION 2. This act shall take effect 180 days after it is signed into law.