

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2048**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Nick Collins*

*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 school attendance incentives.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Nick Collins</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>	
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>

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By Mr. Collins, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2048) of Nick Collins, Patrick M. O'Connor and James B. Eldridge for legislation relative to school attendance incentives. Transportation.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to school attendance incentives.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the MBTA shall  
2 issue free bus, train, and commuter rail passes for the months of June, July, and August to any  
3 Public School student, grade 8-12, who meets the following qualifications in the school year  
4 immediately preceding that June:-

- 5 a) Qualifies for free or reduced price lunch
- 6 b) Has a demonstrable record of attending at least 90% of school days in that school year
- 7 c) Receives a free or subsidized MBTA pass during the school year

8 SECTION 2. This legislation shall be subject the approval of the local school committee.