

SENATE No. 00206

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Barry R. Finegold

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 to require heart screening for interscholastic athletes..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Barry R. Finegold</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Finegold, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 206) of Dykema and Finegold for legislation to require heart screening for interscholastic athletes [Joint Committee on Education].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 389 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to require heart screening for interscholastic athletes..

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. Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 57 the following section:-

3 Section 57A. (a) The committee, or board of health in those municipalities where school health
4 services are the responsibility of the board of health, shall cause every student in the public
5 schools that participates in an interscholastic athletic program to undergo an electrocardiogram
6 (EKG) test. The State Board of Education shall determine how often a student must undergo
7 EKG testing.

8 (b) The State Board of Education shall require the committee, or board of health in those
9 municipalities where school health services are the responsibility of the board of health, to
10 provide the results of a student's EKG test to the student's parent or guardian.