

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2112**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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Senate, July 13, 2017.

BILL #: S256

BILL STATUS: Favorable with Amendment

DISSENTERS:

None

ACCOMPANIED BILLS:

None

For the committee,

KAREN E. SPILKA

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Senate, July 13, 2017 -- The committee on Ways and Means to whom was referred the Senate Bill relative to healthy youth (Senate, No. 256),-- reports, recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2112)

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In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)  
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An Act relative to the promotion of mental health education in Massachusetts high schools.

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

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

3 Section 2D. A public high school may incorporate an optional mental health promotion  
4 component to the comprehensive health education curriculum; provided, however, that the  
5 mental health promotion component shall meet comprehensive health education curriculum  
6 standards. The mental health promotion component may provide supplemental instruction in  
7 areas including, but not limited to, mental health, mental illness, teenage brain development,  
8 stress management, physical health, violence prevention, ecological and community health and  
9 overcoming mental illness stigma.