

**SENATE . . . . . No. 00310**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Michael R. Knapik*

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 voter registration in public high schools..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Michael R. Knapik</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel A. Wolf</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>
<i>Sonia Chang-Diaz</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>
<i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Knapik, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 310) of Chang-Diaz, Wolf, Dwyer and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to voter registration in public high schools [Joint Committee on Election Laws].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ SENATE  
□ , NO. 351 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to voter registration in public 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 34H the  
2 following section:-

3 Section 34I. (a) Each public high school shall host a voter registration day in the months  
4 of May and September of each year for the purpose of encouraging voter participation and civic  
5 engagement among the young adult population of the commonwealth. The principal of each  
6 high school shall be responsible for designating these days.

7 (b) The city or town clerk or an assistant clerk shall be present and available in the high  
8 school building for the purpose of registering those individuals eligible to vote.

9           (c) The office of the secretary of state shall provide information in the form of pamphlets,  
10 books, and other educational materials regarding the state and federal election process to each  
11 high school for use on the designated voter registration days.