

**SENATE . . . . . No. 863**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Robert L. Hedlund*

*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 regarding youth sports referees .

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Robert L. Hedlund*

*Plymouth and Norfolk*

*Michael R. Knapik*

*Second Hampden and Hampshire*

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By Mr. Hedlund, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 863) of Robert L. Hedlund and Michael R. Knapik for legislation relative to youth sports referees. Labor and Workforce Development.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION

SEE

□ □ SENATE  
□ , NO. 929 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act regarding youth sports referees .

*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 60 of Chapter 149 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 inserting, at the end thereof, the following:-

3 This section shall not be deemed to prohibit children ten to fourteen years of age from  
4 participating in a youth sporting event as a referee, coach or other position necessary to the  
5 sporting event; except that, this paragraph shall not include working at a concession stand. For  
6 purposes of this paragraph, “youth sporting event” means an event where all players are under  
7 the age of eighteen and the event is sponsored and supervised by a public body or a not for profit  
8 entity.