

PETITION -- HOUSE

CHIEF SPONSOR:

**Representative Marie P. St. Fleur of Boston
Senator Jarrett T. Barrios of Cambridge**

*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 or resolve.

PETITIONERS: LEGISLATOR/CITIZEN	DISTRICT/FULL MAILING ADDRESS
Marie P. St. Fleur	5 th Suffolk District
Jarrett T. Barrios	Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex District
Robert A. Antonioni	Worcester and Middlesex District
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr	26 th Middlesex District
Alice K. Wolf	25 th Middlesex District
Deborah D. Blumer	6 th Middlesex District
Frank I. Smizik	15 th Norfolk District
Byron Rushing	9 th Suffolk District
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr	34 th Middlesex District
Cory Atkins	14 th Middlesex District
Tom Sannicandro	7 th Middlesex District
John W. Scibak	2 nd Hampshire District
Jay R. Kaufman	15 th Middlesex District
Kathleen M. Teahan	7 th Plymouth District
Patricia D. Jehlen	27 th Middlesex District
Elizabeth A. Malia	11 th Suffolk District
J. James Marzilli, Jr	23 rd Middlesex District
Andrea F. Nuciforo, Jr.	Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin District
Ellen Story	3 rd Hampshire District
Kay Khan	11 th Middlesex District
Daniel E. Bosley	1 st Berkshire District
Ruth B. Balser	12 th Middlesex District
Brian Paul Golden	18 th Suffolk
Peter J. Larkin	3 rd Berkshire District
Dianne Wilkerson	2 nd Suffolk District
Jeffrey Sanchez	15 th Suffolk District
Karen E. Spilka	2 nd Middlesex and Norfolk District
Edward M. Augustus, Jr.	2 nd Worcester District
Pamela P. Resor	Middlesex and Worcester

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Peter J. Koutoujian	10 th Middlesex District
Representative Christopher G. Fallon	33 rd Middlesex District
Michael E. Festa	32 nd Middlesex District
Anthony Petruccelli	1 st Suffolk District
Shirley Owens-Hicks	6 th Suffolk District
Anne M. Paulsen	24 th Middlesex
Douglas W. Petersen	8 th Essex
Martin J. Walsh	13 th Suffolk
Mark V. Falzone	9 th Essex
Martha M. Walz	8 th Suffolk
Susan C. Fargo	3 rd Middlesex
Mark C. Montigny	2 nd Bristol and Plymouth
Louis L. Kafka	8 th Norfolk
Steven M. Walsh	11 th Essex
Gloria L. Fox	7 th Suffolk
James B. Eldridge	37 th Middlesex
Paul Kujawski	8 th Worcester
Benjamin Swan	11 th Hampden
James B. Leary	14 th Worcester
Michael J. Rodrigues	8 th Bristol
Robert P. Spellane	13 th Worcester
John D. Keenan	7 th Essex
Matthew C. Patrick	3 rd Barnstable
Steven A. Tolman	2 nd Suffolk and Middlesex
Christine E. Canavan	10 th Plymouth

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND FIVE

An Act RELATIVE TO IN-STATE TUITION RATES AND FEES AT PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 9 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 52 of chapter 26 of the Acts of 2003, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:—

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of determining eligibility for in-state tuition rates and fees at public institutions of higher education, except the University of Massachusetts Medical School, any individual, other than a non-immigrant alien within the meaning of paragraph 15 of subsection (a) of Section 1101 of Title 8 of the United States Code, who has attended high school in the commonwealth for 3 or more years and has achieved graduation from a high school in the commonwealth or attained the equivalent thereof, shall be eligible for in-state tuition rates and fees at the University of Massachusetts, or any state or community college. No person qualified for in-state tuition rates and fees under this chapter shall be denied such in-state tuition and fees as a result of the granting of eligibility under this paragraph. In the case of an individual who is not a citizen or permanent resident of the United States, the individual shall provide the University of Massachusetts, or the state or community college with an affidavit stating that the individual has filed an application to become a citizen or

permanent resident of the United States, or shall file an application at the earliest opportunity the individual is eligible to do so.