

HOUSE No. 1000

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James M. Cantwell

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act allowing 12 and 13 year old youth to be employed as soccer referees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Viriato M. deMacedo</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bradford R. Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>

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By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1000) of James M. Cantwell and others relative to the employment of certain youth sports referees. Labor and Workforce Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1690 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act allowing 12 and 13 year old youth to be employed as soccer 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. Chapter 149 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 191 the following section:-

3 SECTION 192. A minor of twelve or thirteen years of age may be employed as a youth
4 soccer referee for recreational non-results oriented matches for an age bracket younger than the
5 minor’s own age; provided, that (1) the employer possesses a written consent from the minor's
6 parent or guardian; (2) the employer provides the minor’s parent or guardian with written
7 policies describing the responsibilities of a referee; (3) that said employer also provides the
8 minor with training before the minor's employment begins; and (4) an adult representing the
9 employer is on the premise during the match.