

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1232**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Tackey Chan*

*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 to increase the penalty for school tardiness.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Tackey Chan*

*Garrett J. Bradley*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*2nd Norfolk*

*3rd Plymouth*

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By Mr. Chan of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1232) of Tackey Chan and Garrett J. Bradley for legislation to increase the penalty assessed on parents or guardians for excessive school truancy of a child. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1248 OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act to increase the penalty for school tardiness.

*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 2 of Chapter 76 of the General Laws is hereby amended in line 5 by  
2 striking out the words “be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars” and inserting in  
3 place thereof the following words:- “be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars for each  
4 day that the child does not attend school.”