

HOUSE No. 1415

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:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>	<i>1/12/2023</i>

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By Representative Chan of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1415) of Tackey Chan for legislation to increase the penalty assessed on parents or guardians for excessive school truancy of a child. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1492 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

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.”