# **HOUSE**

# . No. 01918

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anne M. Gobi

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 creating a regional school district planning committee.

#### PETITION OF:

| NAME:           | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| Anne M. Gobi    | 5th Worcester     |
| Cleon H. Turner | 1st Barnstable    |
| Geraldo Alicea  | 6th Worcester     |

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By Ms. Gobi of Spencer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1918) of Alicea and others relative to creating regional school district planning committees Joint Committee on Education.

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act creating a regional school district planning committee.

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 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is
- 2 hereby amended by striking Section 14 and inserting in place thereof the following section:
- 3 Section 14. Any town, by either a majority vote of its selectmen or by vote in town meeting duly
- 4 called therefore, may create a special unpaid committee to be known as a regional school district
- 5 planning committee, to consist of three members, including one member of the school
- 6 committee, to be appointed by the moderator; and may at the same meeting or at a subsequent
- 7 meeting appropriate for the expense of said committee such sum or sums, not exceeding one
- 8 tenth of one percent of the assessed valuation of such town in the preceding year, as it may deem
- 9 necessary. Regional school district planning committee from any two or more towns may join
- 10 together to form a regional school district planning board or boards. Such regional school
- 11 district planning board shall organize forthwith upon its formation by the election of a chairman
- 12 and secretary-treasurer.