

HOUSE No. 01932

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 Resolve:

Resolve relative to teacher additional compensation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Elizabeth Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>
<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Donald Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1932) of Wong and others providing for the establishment of a special commission (including members of the General Court) to make an investigation and study relative to eliminating the tenure system and replacing it with a student performance system in the public schools Joint Committee on Education.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

RESOLVE Resolve relative to teacher additional compensation

Resolved,

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, there shall be a special commission
2 to study and report on ways to improve current methods of teacher compensation and the the
3 tenure system, including a function to measure and reward teachers for student performance. The
4 commission shall consist of the commissioner of education; 3 members of the house of
5 representatives, 2 of whom shall to be appointed by the speaker of the house, and 1 of whom
6 shall be appointed by the minority leader of the house; 3 members of the senate, 2 of whom shall
7 be appointed by the senate president, and 1 of whom shall be appointed by the senate minority
8 leader; the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education; a representative of the
9 Massachusetts Teachers Association; and a member appointed by the Governor. The scope of the
10 commission shall include, but shall not be limited to: researching the possibility of replacing the
11 teacher tenure system with a system of annual bonus compensation tied to student performance;
12 analyzing the financial impact to cities and towns of altering the compensation and the
13 possibility of eliminating the tenure system and replacing it with a student performance system
14 and investigating possible definitions for student performance including the annual yearly

15 performance index. The commission shall submit its report to the board of education, the joint
16 committee on education, and the senate and house clerks no later than six months after the
17 passage of this act.