

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Malia and Jack Lewis

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 providing transportation to recovery high schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk
Jack Lewis	7th Middlesex
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex
Barbara A. L'Italien	Second Essex and Middlesex
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex
Jose F. Tosado	9th Hampden
Steven Ultrino	33rd Middlesex
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex

By Representatives Malia of Boston and Lewis of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2049) of Elizabeth A. Malia and others relative to transportation of students to recovery high schools. Education.

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

An Act providing transportation to recovery high schools.

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. 7035-XXXX For reimbursements to cities, towns, and regional school
2	districts for the cost of transportation of resident pupils as required by subsection (f) of section
3	91 of chapter 71 of the General Laws; provided, that the commonwealth's obligation shall not
4	exceed the amount appropriated in this item \$1,200,000
5	SECTION 2. To provide for improvements to substance abuse recovery services in the
6	commonwealth in fiscal year 2017, the sums set forth in Section 1 of this act are hereby
7	appropriated from the General Fund for the several purposes and subject to the conditions
8	specified in this act and subject to laws regulating the disbursement of public funds; provided,
9	however, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, appropriations made
10	herein shall not revert and shall be available for expenditure until June 30, 2018.
11	SECTION 3. Section 91 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
12	Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following new subsection:-

13 (f) A municipality wherein a student resides who is admitted to a Recovery High School,

- 14 shall, when necessary, provide for the transportation of such student, and shall, subject to
- 15 appropriation, be entitled to state reimbursement to the full extent of the amount expended.