HOUSE No. 2111

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jack Patrick Lewis and Natalie M. Higgins

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 relative to student mental health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Jack Patrick Lewis	7th Middlesex	1/26/2021
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester	2/10/2021
Marcos A. Devers	16th Essex	1/28/2021
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex	1/28/2021
Steven C. Owens	29th Middlesex	1/29/2021
Kevin G. Honan	17th Suffolk	1/29/2021
Tricia Farley-Bouvier	3rd Berkshire	1/29/2021
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire	1/29/2021
Steven Ultrino	33rd Middlesex	1/29/2021
Christina A. Minicucci	14th Essex	1/29/2021
Patricia A. Duffy	5th Hampden	1/29/2021
Kathleen R. LaNatra	12th Plymouth	2/1/2021
Shawn Dooley	9th Norfolk	2/1/2021
Steven G. Xiarhos	5th Barnstable	2/1/2021
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	2/1/2021
Hannah Kane	11th Worcester	2/1/2021
Ryan C. Fattman	Worcester and Norfolk	2/1/2021
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester	2/2/2021

Michael J. Soter	8th Worcester	2/2/2021
Bud L. Williams	11th Hampden	2/3/2021
Christine P. Barber	34th Middlesex	2/4/2021
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	2/5/2021
Tram T. Nguyen	18th Essex	2/7/2021
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	2/8/2021
Jessica Ann Giannino	16th Suffolk	2/10/2021
Jonathan D. Zlotnik	2nd Worcester	2/18/2021
Patricia A. Haddad	5th Bristol	2/19/2021
Tami L. Gouveia	14th Middlesex	2/22/2021
Smitty Pignatelli	4th Berkshire	2/22/2021
Michael P. Kushmerek	3rd Worcester	2/22/2021
Danillo A. Sena	37th Middlesex	2/24/2021
David Allen Robertson	19th Middlesex	2/25/2021
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	2/26/2021
James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol	2/26/2021
Jeffrey N. Roy	10th Norfolk	2/26/2021
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk	3/15/2021

HOUSE DOCKET, NO. 676 FILED ON: 1/27/2021

By Representatives Lewis of Framingham and Higgins of Leominster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2111) of Jack Patrick Lewis, Natalie M. Higgins and others for legislation to require that student identification cards contain suicide prevention lifeline contact information. Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 516 OF 2019-2020.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act relative to student mental health.

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 is hereby amended by inserting after

2 section 37R the following section:-

Section 37S(a) Commencing July 1, 2019, a public school, including a charter school,
that serves students in any of grades 7 to 12, inclusive, that issues student identification cards
shall include on the student identification cards the telephone number for the National Suicide
Prevention Lifeline, Crisis Text Line, and the school's campus police or security telephone
number or, if the school does not have a campus police or security telephone number, the local
non-emergency telephone number.

9	(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), if, as of January 1, 2019, a school subject to the
10	requirements of subsection (a) has a supply of unissued student identification cards that do not
11	comply with the requirement in subsection (a), the school shall issue those student identification
12	cards to students until that supply is depleted.
13	(c) Subsection (a) shall apply for a student identification card issued to a new student and
14	for a student identification card issued to replace a student's damaged or lost student
15	identification card at the request of that student.
16	SECTION 2. Chapter 73 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
17	section 20 the following section:-
18	Section 21(a) Commencing July 1, 2019, a public or private institution of higher
19	education that issues student identification cards shall include on the student identification cards
20	the telephone number for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, Crisis Text Line, and the
21	school's campus police or security telephone number or, if the school does not have a campus
22	police or security telephone number, the local non-emergency telephone number.
23	(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), if, as of January 1, 2019, a state university or
24	community college subject to the requirements of subsection (a) has a supply of unissued student
25	identification cards that do not comply with the requirement in subsection (a), the school shall
26	issue those student identification cards to students until that supply is depleted.
27	(c) Subsection (a) shall apply for a student identification card issued to a new student and
28	for a student identification card issued to replace a student's damaged or lost student
29	identification card at the request of that student.

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