

HOUSE No. 358

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kimberly N. Ferguson

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 regional bonus aid.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Stephen Kulik</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Jonathan D. Zlotnik</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>

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By Mrs. Ferguson of Holden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 358) of Kimberly N. Ferguson and others for legislation to provide bonus aid to newly formed regional school districts. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 403 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act relative to regional bonus aid.

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 16D(g) of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the
2 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the section in its entirety and inserting in
3 place thereof the following new section:

4 (g) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, regional bonus aid, but no other aid
5 pursuant to this section, shall be paid to any regional school district formed after fiscal year
6 nineteen hundred and ninety-three for the immediate five fiscal years following the establishment
7 of said regional school district. Regional bonus aid shall be payable in an amount equal to one
8 hundred dollars per foundation enrollment, in the first fiscal year following the establishment of
9 said regional school district; eighty dollars per foundation enrollment in the second fiscal year
10 following the establishment of said regional school district; sixty dollars per foundation

11 enrollment in the third fiscal year following the establishment of said regional school district;
12 forty dollars per foundation enrollment in the fourth fiscal year following the establishment of
13 said regional school district; and, twenty dollars per foundation enrollment in the fifth fiscal year
14 following the establishment of said regional school district.