

HOUSE No. 386

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robert F. Fennell

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 relative to further defining good cause for the purpose of nonrenewal of contracts for educational administrators.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Robert F. Fennell	10th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 428 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO FURTHER DEFINING GOOD CAUSE FOR THE PURPOSE OF NONRENEWAL OF CONTRACTS FOR EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATORS.

*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 41 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is
2 amended in paragraph three lines 29 to 3p by striking out the second sentence and inserting in place
3 thereof the following three sentences: —

4 A principal, assistant principal, department head or other supervisor who has served in that
5 position for three consecutive years, and who has not been notified of non-renewal sixty-days prior to the
6 end of the third consecutive year, shall not be dismissed or demoted except for good cause. Good cause
7 shall include a description of the personal misconduct or professional deficiency or deficiencies which are
8 the basis for the dismissal. The declaration that the principal's school is an underperforming school by the
9 proper authorities shall satisfy this provision.