

HOUSE No. 4078

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Barbara A. L'Italien

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 to promote civic engagement in the charter school approval process.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Barbara A. L'Italien	18th Essex
Pam Richardson	6th Middlesex
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
Robert S. Hargraves	1st Middlesex
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
Lori Ehrlich	8th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 494 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO PROMOTE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT IN THE CHARTER SCHOOL APPROVAL
PROCESS.

*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. Subsection (i) of Section 89 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
- 2 adding after the last sentence the following:
- 3 Provided further, that the Board of Education shall approve no charter without a formal indication of
- 4 support for the application from the city council, or select board, town meeting or other representative
- 5 body in the community where the charter school seeks to locate.