

HOUSE No. 4142

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

Resolve providing for a study of compulsory school attendance.

1 Resolved, that the board of elementary and secondary education is hereby authorized and
2 directed to conduct a study relative to the establishment of ages five to eighteen years old as the
3 period of compulsory school attendance in Massachusetts. Such study shall include, but not be
4 limited to, analyses of the impact of the altered requirements on student’s readiness for
5 elementary school, and on high school completion, with due attention to the experience in other
6 states; and analyses of fiscal implications for the commonwealth and for school districts. Said
7 board shall report to the general court the results of its study, and any related recommendations,
8 by filing the same with the clerks of the Senate and of the House of Representatives on or before
9 December 31, 2017.