

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 471**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*David M. Rogers*

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 concerning media literacy in schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Rogers of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 471) of David M. Rogers and others for legislation to require the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to encourage media literacy education . Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act concerning media literacy in schools.

*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. The second paragraph of Section 1 of chapter 71 of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by adding the following sentence: - The Department of Elementary and  
3 Secondary Education shall encourage school districts to implement instruction in media literacy  
4 skills at all grade levels, and in any of the core subjects or other subjects, to equip students with  
5 the knowledge and skills for accessing, analyzing, evaluating, and creating all types of media.