

HOUSE No. 471

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William J. Driscoll, Jr.

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 requiring immunizations against preventable diseases.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>William J. Driscoll, Jr.</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/17/2023</i>

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By Representative Driscoll of Milton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 471) of William J. Driscoll, Jr. relative to requiring immunizations against preventable diseases for school admittance. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act requiring immunizations against preventable diseases.

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 15 of chapter 76 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place
3 thereof the following paragraph:-

4 No child shall, except as hereinafter provided, be admitted to school except upon
5 presentation of a physician's certificate that the child has been successfully immunized against:
6 (a) diphtheria, (b) pertussis, (c) tetanus, (d) measles, (e) poliomyelitis, (f) human papilloma virus,
7 (g) hepatitis A, according to the schedule and dosage recommended by the centers for disease
8 control, and (h) such other communicable diseases as may be specified from time to time by the
9 department of public health.

10 SECTION 2. Said section 15 of said chapter 76, as so appearing, is hereby further
11 amended by adding the following sentence: - The department of public health shall promulgate
12 regulations to implement this section.