. . No. 485 **HOUSE**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John W. Scibak

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 establish a school choice circuit breaker.

PETITION OF:

Name:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John W. Scibak	2nd Hampshire
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Walter F. Timilty	7th Norfolk

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By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 485) of John W. Scibak, Michael R. Knapik and Walter F. Timilty relative to establishing a school district reimbursement plan for the Commonwealth. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE

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□ , NO. *161* OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act to establish a school choice circuit breaker.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- Section 1. Section 12B of Chapter 76 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (o) the following subsection:—
- 3 (p) Any sending district which experiences a net loss of more than 5% of its student
- 4 population in a given grade or a net loss of more than 10% of its total student population from
- 5 the prior year due to school choice, shall also be eligible to apply for a school choice
- 6 reimbursement from the commonwealth as provided in subsection (n) . The reimbursement
- 7 amount shall be equal to 50 percent of the school choice tuition amount for each student
- 8 enrolling in a receiving district in excess of 5% of the total population in a given grade during the
- 9 prior year for the sending district or in excess of 10% of the total population during the prior year
- 10 in the sending district.