

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 495**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*William M. Straus*

*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 relative to student data.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*William M. Straus*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*10th Bristol*

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By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 495) of William M. Straus relative to student data collection and preservation. Education.

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act relative to student data.

*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. Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by adding the following section at the end thereof:-  
  
3           Section 95. For the purposes of this section, the term “educational institution” shall mean  
4 a primary or secondary school, a school district or a board of cooperative educational services.  
5 Any person: (1) who provides account-based access to a website or an online service for an  
6 educational institution; (2) who marketed and designed the online service for the educational  
7 institution; and (3) who has knowledge that the online service collects data related to a student,  
8 shall not use the online service to sell student data or to process student data in furtherance of  
9 advertising; provided that the online service provider may process student data to provide,  
10 improve, develop or maintain the integrity of its online services.