

SENATE No. 266

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

O'Leary, Robert (SEN)

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 Relative to Student Conduct.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

O'Leary, Robert (SEN)

Cape and Islands

Susan C. Tucker

Second Essex and Middlesex

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO STUDENT CONDUCT.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the board of elementary
2 and secondary education shall promulgate regulations for the implementation of a strategic
3 student conduct planning process in all Pre K-12 public schools. The purpose of said planning
4 process shall be to intervene upon the showing of risky or disruptive behaviors so that each child
5 is afforded the opportunity to fully engage in classroom learning. The planning process shall
6 involve appropriate school administrators and individual students' parents or guardians and
7 teachers in a collaborative conference. Said conference shall involve the development of a
8 conduct strategy for students to follow, with multiple follow up conferences to report and
9 evaluate student progress. If said student does not adhere to the strategy developed within a
10 time period to be determined by the board, school administrators may institute disciplinary
11 proceedings in accordance with section 37H of chapter 71.