

SENATE No. 299

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kathleen O'Connor Ives

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 related to unfunded mandates on public schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Kathleen O'Connor Ives</i>	<i>First Essex</i>	
<i>Leonard Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Adam G. Hinds</i>	<i>Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>

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By Ms. O'Connor Ives, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 299) of Kathleen O'Connor Ives, Leonard Mirra, John F. Keenan, James M. Murphy and others for legislation related to unfunded mandates on public schools. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 322 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act related to unfunded mandates on public 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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department
2 of elementary and secondary education is hereby authorized and directed to conduct an analysis
3 of all new state laws, regulations, or administrative directives, which directly impact the
4 Commonwealth’s public schools. Said analysis shall include but not be limited to a reporting of
5 each new action’s cost to school districts and its employees, impact on time on learning in the
6 classroom and overall impact on improving student achievement. The department shall file its
7 analyses with the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate prior to the
8 implementation of related new state laws, regulations, or administrative directives.