SENATE No. 685

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 authorizing performance-based education funding.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Bruce E. TarrFirst Essex and Middlesex

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 685) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to authorize Performance-Based Education Funding. Higher Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 276 OF 2013-2014.]

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act authorizing performance-based education funding.

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

- 1 Chapter 73 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby
- 2 amended by inserting, after section 12, the following new section:
- 3 Section 12A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation to the contrary,
- 4 not less than twenty-five percent of any sums appropriated by the general court for the
- 5 maintenance, operation and support of each state university and community college shall be
- 6 based on performance criteria developed by the Secretary of Education, which shall include but
- 7 not be limited to, the retention and successful completion of courses of study, as evidenced by
- 8 graduation, certification or other similar documentation, and rates or measures of the academic
- 9 achievement of students.