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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Bradley H. Jones, Jr.**

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*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 School District Enhancement.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Viriato Manuel deMacedo | 1st Plymouth |
| Bradley H. Jones, Jr. | 20th Middlesex |
| George N. Peterson, Jr. | 9th Worcester |
| Elizabeth Poirier | 14th Bristol |

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act Relative to School District Enhancement.

*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. subsection (i) section 89 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is amended by adding at the end thereof, the following: -The conditions of this subsection shall be suspended in the case that a public school is determined to be underperforming, as defined in this section.

SECTION 2. Subsection (nn) of said section 89 of chapter 71, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after paragraph 5 the following new paragraph:-

The state treasurer is further authorized and directed to deduct 5% from a district’s total charter tuition amount, as calculated in the above paragraphs, after a charter school has been in existence for 5 years or more and has been determined to be underperforming, as defined in this section.

SECTION 3. said Section 89 of chapter 71, as so appearing, in the General Laws is further amended by inserting after subsection (rr) the following new subsection:-   
(ss) For the purpose of this section, the word “underperforming” shall refer to any school that, for two consecutive years, does not meet Adequate Yearly Progress as established by the Massachusetts School and District Accountability System.