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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**John W. Scibak**

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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 to establish a school choice circuit breaker.

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PETITION OF:

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act to establish a school choice circuit breaker..

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

 Section 12B of Chapter 76 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2003 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (o) the following subsection:–

(p) Any sending district which experiences a net loss of more than 5% of its student population in a given grade or a net loss of more than 10% of its total student population from the prior year due to school choice, shall also be eligible to apply for a school choice reimbursement from the commonwealth as provided in subsection (n) . The reimbursement amount shall be equal to 50 percent of the school choice tuition amount for each student enrolling in a receiving district in excess of 5% of the total population in a given grade during the prior year for the sending district or in excess of 10% of the total population during the prior year in the sending district.