

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Barbara A. L'Italien

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 promote civic engagement in the charter school approval process.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Barbara A. L'Italien	18th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 494 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO PROMOTE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT IN THE CHARTER SCHOOL APPROVAL PROCESS.

*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. Subsection (j) of Section 89 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding
- 2 after the last sentence the following:
- 3 Provided further, that the Board of Education shall approve no charter without a formal indication of
- 4 support for the application from the city council, or select board, town meeting or other representative
- 5 body in the community where the charter school seeks to locate.