HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James K. Hawkins

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 to cancel the administration of the MCAS for the 2020-2021 school year.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol	2/8/2021
Maria Duaime Robinson	6th Middlesex	2/19/2021
Adam J. Scanlon	14th Bristol	2/23/2021
Peter Capano	11th Essex	2/23/2021
John Barrett, III	1st Berkshire	2/23/2021
Patricia A. Duffy	5th Hampden	2/23/2021
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire	2/24/2021
Jack Patrick Lewis	7th Middlesex	2/24/2021
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden	2/24/2021
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	2/25/2021
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex	2/25/2021
Tram T. Nguyen	18th Essex	2/26/2021
James M. Murphy	4th Norfolk	2/26/2021
Carlos González	10th Hampden	2/26/2021
Antonio F. D. Cabral	13th Bristol	2/26/2021
Erika Uyterhoeven	27th Middlesex	2/26/2021
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester	2/26/2021
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	2/26/2021

Tricia Farley-Bouvier	3rd Berkshire	2/26/2021
Steven C. Owens	29th Middlesex	2/26/2021
Jon Santiago	9th Suffolk	2/26/2021
Carol A. Doherty	3rd Bristol	2/26/2021
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	2/26/2021
Josh S. Cutler	6th Plymouth	2/26/2021
Michael D. Brady	Second Plymouth and Bristol	2/26/2021
Paul W. Mark	2nd Berkshire	2/26/2021
Tommy Vitolo	15th Norfolk	2/26/2021
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester	3/6/2021
Steven G. Xiarhos	5th Barnstable	3/6/2021
Michael P. Kushmerek	3rd Worcester	3/6/2021
Tackey Chan	2nd Norfolk	3/6/2021
Anne M. Gobi	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex	3/6/2021
Daniel R. Carey	2nd Hampshire	3/6/2021
Daniel Cahill	10th Essex	3/6/2021
Jacob R. Oliveira	7th Hampden	3/6/2021
Danillo A. Sena	37th Middlesex	3/8/2021
Sally P. Kerans	13th Essex	3/9/2021
John H. Rogers	12th Norfolk	3/9/2021
Kathleen R. LaNatra	12th Plymouth	3/9/2021
Christina A. Minicucci	14th Essex	3/10/2021

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act to cancel the administration of the MCAS for the 2020-2021 school year.

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 commissioner
2	of elementary and secondary education shall submit to the United States Department of
3	Education a request that the Commonwealth's statewide assessment, accountability and reporting
4	requirements under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act be waived for the 2020-2021
5	school year. The request shall be made pursuant to section 8401 of the Elementary and
6	Secondary Education Act and shall include a request to waive the assessment requirements in
7	section 1111(b)(2); the accountability and school identification requirements in sections
8	1111(c)(4) and 1111(d)(2)(C)-(D); and the report card provisions related to assessments and
9	accountability in section 1111(h).
10	Notwithstanding section 11 of chapter 69 of the General Laws or any other general or
11	special law to the contrary, upon approval of the request referred to in the first paragraph of this
12	section, the requirement for a comprehensive diagnostic assessment of individual students under
13	said section 11 of said chapter 69 is waived for the 2020-2021 school year in order to address

- 14 disruptions caused by the outbreak of the 2019 novel coronavirus, also known as COVID-19, and
- 15 the department of elementary and secondary education shall not require students to take the
- 16 Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System or any other named statewide standardized
- 17 assessment during the 2020-2021 school year.