

HOUSE No. 4530

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 13, 2008.

The committee on Education to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 507) of Paul J. P. Loscocco relative to home schooling, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 523) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others for legislation to allow students in private or parochial schools to take the MCAS exam, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4530) ought to pass.

For the committee,

PATRICIA A. HADDAD.

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In the Year Two Thousand and Eight.

AN ACT PERMITTING NON PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS TO TAKE MCAS EXAM.

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

1 The Department of Education shall issue a report, not later than
2 November 15, 2008, on the feasibility and costs associated with
3 non-public school students and home schooled students in
4 grade 10 voluntarily taking the MCAS exam at a non-public
5 school site; and provided further, that said report shall be provided
6 to the secretary of administration and finance, the secretary of
7 education, the chair of the house ways and means committee, the
8 chair of the senate ways and means committee, the house and
9 senate chairs of the joint committee on education.