

SENATE NO. 354

AN ACT PROVIDING MCAS OPTIONS

*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 Department of Education
- 2 shall conduct a study to determine the effects and feasibility of allowing students to take the essay
- 3 portion of the language arts section of the MCAS with the writing tool of their choice, including
- 4 computers, and shall submit the results of said study to the Clerk of the House and Senate and the Joint
- 5 Committee on Education, Arts and Humanities no later than July 31, 2008.