

Substituted by the House, on motion of Mrs. Murray of Cohasset and as amended by Mr. Peterson of Grafton, for a Bill allowing access to criminal records of applicants for positions in schools by school committees (House, No. 1089). March 27.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Five.

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AN ACT ALLOWING ACCESS TO CRIMINAL RECORDS OF APPLICANTS FOR POSITIONS IN SCHOOLS.

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

1 Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting  
2 after section 38Q, inserted by section 42 of chapter 71 of the acts  
3 of 1993, the following section:—

4 Section 38R. The school committee and superintendent of  
5 schools of any city, town or regional school district and the prin-  
6 cipal, by whatever title the position be known, of a public school  
7 of any city, town or regional school district shall have access to  
8 criminal offender record information of any applicant for any  
9 position in the school department, including any subcontractor or  
10 laborer commissioned by the school committee of any city, town  
11 or regional school district to perform work on school grounds at  
12 any time, where applicable for hiring purposes. Such access shall  
13 be exercised in accordance with sections one hundred and sixty-  
14 seven to one hundred seventy-eight, inclusive, of chapter six.

