

By Mr. Tolman, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 380) of Steven A. Tolman for legislation relative to high school graduation requirements. Education.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.  
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AN ACT RELATIVE TO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS.

*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. The second sentence of clause (i) of the fourth paragraph of Section 1D of chapter 69 of  
2 the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the  
3 word "graduation" the following words:- " , except that revised competency determinations  
4 coordinated to state frameworks and related and/or rescheduled assessment methods defined under an  
5 individual education plan within the context of section 3 of chapter 71B, and fulfilled by a student  
6 with special needs who also scores two or more years below grade level on a standardized reading test  
7 in grade 9 or above and who has failed to pass a grade 10 standard competency test at least once, can  
8 also determine eligibility for high school graduation."

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