

By Mr. Orlandi of Boston, petition of Jeffrey L. Lant and O. Roland Orlandi that the Department of Education be prohibited from disqualifying any person fifteen years of age or older from taking a test to secure a high school equivalency certificate. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Seven.

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FROM DISQUALIFYING ANY PERSON FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER WHO HAS COMPLETED AT LEAST ONE YEAR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION, AND HAS SECURED THE PROPER PARENTAL PERMISSION FROM TAKING A TEST FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING A HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY CERTIFICATE.

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 69 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting
2 after section 9A the following section: —

3 *Section 9B.* All persons fifteen years of age or older who have
4 completed at least one year of secondary education and who have
5 secured permission of their parents or legal guardians shall be
6 permitted by the department to take a test for the purpose of
7 receiving a high school equivalency certificate.

