

HOUSE No. 1233

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joan Meschino

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act establishing a community college campus hunger pilot program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Joan Meschino</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>
<i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>

<i>Kathleen R. LaNatra</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Maria Duaine Robinson</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Chynah Tyler</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>

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By Ms. Meschino of Hull, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1233) of Joan Meschino and others relative to establishing a community college campus hunger pilot program to address food insecurity on community college campuses . Higher Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act establishing a community college campus hunger pilot program.

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. Chapter 15A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 44 the following section:-

3 Section 45. Community College Campus Hunger Program

4 There shall be established and set up on the books of the commonwealth a fund to
5 address food insecurity on community college campuses that shall be known as the
6 Massachusetts Community College Campus Hunger Program. The fund shall be credited with:
7 (i) revenue from appropriations or other monies authorized by the general court and specifically
8 designated to the fund; (ii) interest earned on such revenues; and (iii) funds from public and
9 private sources including, but not limited to, gifts, grants and donations to further the program.

10 The department of higher education shall distribute resources from the fund by issuing a
11 request for proposal through which community colleges may apply. The department shall grant
12 funds based on the demonstrated need and implementation plan of each applicant. Funds

13 received by college campuses shall be used to address food insecurity among students via means
14 including, but not limited to, meal cards, meal plans, meal vouchers, and other campus-designed
15 projects to address community college student food insecurity.