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## NEW SALEM/WENDELL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

## REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL STATUS

The legal basis for public education in the District is vested in the will of the people as expressed in the Constitution of Massachusetts and state statutes pertaining to education.

Regional school districts are created in accordance with state law and the regional agreement approved by the member towns.

The New Salem/Wendell Union School District exists through an agreement between municipalities under laws pertaining to education and under regulations of the Massachusetts Board of Education. The area served by the New Salem/Wendell Union School district is identified in the Regional Agreement.

LEGAL REFS.: Constitution of Massachusetts, Part II, Chapter V, Section II

M.G.L. 71:1

M.G.L. 71:14B Regional School Districts Formation; Procedure

M.G.L. 71:16 through 17:16I

Ref. New Salem/Wendell Union School District Articles of Agreement

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