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PRESENTS A WEBINAR

***Genocide Education in Massachusetts:
A New Mandate, a New Era, and New Challenges***

**Thursday, February 3, 2022
7:30 p.m. (Eastern) / 4:30 p.m. (Pacific)**

On December 2, 2021, Massachusetts joined the ranks of states mandating genocide education, including on the Armenian Genocide, in public middle and high schools. The law, supported by a diverse coalition of advocates, has been a long time in the making and faced significant challenges and pushback from Turkish organizations to water down the Armenian Genocide component of the law; indeed, for more than two decades, efforts to include the Armenian Genocide have been shadowed by counter-efforts to give equal time to denialist counterfactual narratives.

Join us for a discussion of how the law came into being, the challenges overcome to gain its passage, and its potential impact on students and society as a whole.

Panelists

Eric Cohen, Chairman, Massachusetts Coalition to Save Darfur

Dr. Lerna Ekmekcioglu, McMillan-Stewart Associate Professor of History, MIT

Dr. Dikran Kaligian, Armenian National Committee of America, Eastern Massachusetts

Herman Purutyan, Massachusetts state chair, Armenian Assembly of America

Moderator

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