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By Mr. Harold, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 844) of Paul D. Harold for legislation to further regulate school aid to certain regional school districts. Education.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-five.

### AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING SCHOOL AID TO CERTAIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide forthwith funding for the support of regional vocational school districts, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1 Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (b) of section
- 2 sixteen D of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws to the
- 3 contrary, during the nineteen hundred and eighty-four fiscal
- 4 and nineteen hundred and eighty-five fiscal years "regional
- 5 reimbursable expenditures" shall be defined as follows: —
- 6 "Regional reimbursable expenditures", the total amount ex-
- 7 pended by a regional school district during a fiscal year for
- 8 the support of public schools during said year exclusive of ex-
- 9 penditures for transportation, for food for school food service
- 10 programs and capital outlay, after deducting therefrom any
- 11 receipts for tuition, other than tuition paid by post-secondary
- 12 students as defined under section thirty-seven A of chapter
- 13 seventy-four of the General Laws, receipts from the federal
- 14 government, the proceeds of any invested funds, and grants,
- 15 gifts and receipts from any other source, to the extent that such
- 16 receipts are applicable to such expenditures; provided,
- 17 however, that in the first year that a regional school district
- 18 is formed or the year in which a regional school district ex-

19 pands "regional reimbursable expenditures" shall mean the  
20 total amount expended by a regional school district in the fiscal  
21 year during which time the regional school district expands  
22 for the support of the public schools during said year exclusive  
23 of expenditures for transportation, for food for school food ser-  
24 vice programs, and for capital outlays, after deducting  
25 therefrom any receipts for tuition, receipts from the federal  
26 government, the proceeds of any invested funds and grants,  
27 gifts and receipts from any other source, to the extent that such  
28 receipts are applicable to such expenditures; provided,  
29 however that amount received by a regional school district  
30 under this section as school aid shall not be so deducted. The  
31 commissioner of education may, by regulation, further define  
32 the expenditures and receipts that may be included hereunder.