

HOUSE No. 1217

By Mr. Cappucci of Boston, petition of James M. Curley (mayor of Boston) for legislation relative to state aid for public schools. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO STATE AID FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

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 70 of the General Laws is hereby amended
2 by adding at the end thereof the following: —

3 PART III.

4 GENERAL SCHOOL AID.

5 *Section 19.* The state treasurer shall annually, on
6 or before November twentieth, pay to each city and
7 town from the general funds of the commonwealth,
8 which shall be available therefor without appropria-
9 tion, one third of the sum expended by such city or
10 town for public school purposes during the year ending
11 the preceding June thirtieth. In computing the sum
12 so expended, any reimbursement received or to be
13 received by such city or town from the common-
14 wealth on account of such expenditures under other
15 provisions of law shall be deducted. Every superin-

16 tendent of schools shall annually, not later than
17 September first, file with the commissioner of educa-
18 tion, upon blanks prepared by the commissioner, a
19 sworn statement containing data necessary to deter-
20 mine the amount payable to each city and town under
21 this section. Before filing such statement, the super-
22 intendent shall submit it to the chairman of the school
23 committee, who shall countersign it on oath, if, after
24 examination, he finds it correct. The commissioner
25 shall cause such statements to be examined, and shall
26 certify to the comptroller the amount due each city
27 and town.