

HOUSE No. 605

By Mr. Vaitses of Melrose, petition of Theodore J. Vaitses that school committees, school superintendents and certain other persons be prohibited from retaining birth certificates of pupils. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Two.

AN ACT PROHIBITING SCHOOL COMMITTEES, SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND OTHER PERSONS FROM RETAINING ANY BIRTH CERTIFICATE, OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF BIRTH OF ANY PUPIL.

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 87 of chapter 149 of the General Laws, as
2 amended, is hereby further amended by adding at
3 the end the following paragraph: —

4 (5) No superintendent of schools, school committee
5 or other person authorized to receive, examine, ap-
6 prove and file such evidence of age, shall retain against
7 the will of such pupil, his parent or guardian, such
8 evidence of age, for a longer time than is reasonably
9 necessary for making a copy, photostat or reasonable
10 facsimile thereof, which shall be filed in place of the
11 original and the original shall be returned to such
12 pupil, his parent or guardian.

