

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, September 9, 1959.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In accordance with the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments of the Constitution, I am returning herewith Senate, No. 534 entitled "An Act Authorizing the Department of Education to Grant Additional Appropriate Undergraduate Degrees at Certain State Institutions."

I recommend that the bill be amended by striking out in line five, the word "undergraduate" and inserting in place thereof the word: — baccalaureate; and by striking out in line six, the word "school" and inserting in place thereof the word: — college; so as to read as follows: — The department may also grant such other appropriate baccalaureate degrees at such teachers colleges and at said college of art as it may determine and prescribe.

Commissioner of Education, Owen B. Kiernan, has agreed to these changes.

Senate, No. 534 was intended to broaden the four year degree granting powers of the department of education and the Massachusetts college of art.

The first amendment clarifies these powers without encroaching on the degree granting provisions of section one of chapter 605 of the acts of 1958, the act establishing the Massachusetts board of regional community colleges.

The second amendment is made necessary by chapter 246 of the acts of 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

FOSTER FURCOLO,
Governor of the Commonwealth.

