
By Mr. Kevin B. Harrington, petition of Kevin B. Harrington for legislation to authorize the Essex County Agricultural School to give advanced agricultural courses to high school graduates. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-One.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ESSEX COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL TO GIVE ADVANCED AGRICULTURAL COURSES TO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES.

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 74 of the General Laws is hereby amended by in-
2 serting after section 35 the following section: — *Section 35A.*
3 The board of trustees of the Essex county agricultural school,
4 with the approval of the commissioner, may offer vocational
5 agricultural courses to high school graduates. Such courses
6 shall be deemed to be of a secondary school grade and voca-
7 tional under the provisions of this chapter. They shall be of
8 two-year duration and offer at least thirty clock hours of in-
9 struction per week.

10 Sixty per cent of instruction in such courses shall consist of
11 English, consisting of composition with emphasis on technical
12 writing and oral expression, mathematics, biology, physics,
13 chemistry, economics, and civics, and forty per cent of such
14 instruction shall be devoted to agricultural technical subject
15 matter, farm engineering, business management, and labora-
16 tory practice, accompanied by at least six months each year
17 of practical experience in agricultural laboratories, agricul-
18 tural commodity processing or distributing establishments,
19 agricultural service businesses, or on a farm, when such facili-
20 ties have been approved and employment supervised by the
21 school.

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