

HOUSE No. 1628

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 12, 1931.

The committee on Cities, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 276) of Lewis R. Sullivan, Jr., for legislation to enlarge the school committee of the city of Boston and relative to the election and tenure of the members of said committee, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 949) of Owen A. Gallagher for legislation to increase the membership of the school committee of the city of Boston and relative to the election and tenure of office of the members of said committee, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 1628).

For the committee,

HAROLD R. DUFFIE.

Senator ALLEN, and Representative FITZGERALD of Boston, dissenting.

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

An Act enlarging the Membership of the School Committee of the City of Boston.

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 1. Chapter four hundred and eighty-
2 six of the acts of nineteen hundred and nine, as
3 amended by section five of chapter four hundred
4 and seventy-nine of the acts of nineteen hundred
5 and twenty-four, is hereby further amended by
6 striking out section thirty-three and inserting in
7 place thereof the following: —

8 *Section 33.* The fiscal year in said city shall
9 begin on January first and shall end on December
10 thirty-first next following; and the municipal
11 year shall begin on the first Monday in January
12 and shall continue until the first Monday of the
13 January next following. At the biennial mu-
14 nicipal election in the year nineteen hundred and
15 thirty-one, five members of the school committee
16 shall be elected. The three candidates receiving
17 the largest number of votes at said election shall
18 hold office for four years, and the two receiving
19 the next largest number of votes at said election,

20 for two years. At the biennial municipal elec-
21 tion to be held in the year nineteen hundred and
22 thirty-three, four members of the school com-
23 mittee shall be elected to hold office for four
24 years. Beginning with the biennial municipal
25 election to be held in the year nineteen hundred
26 and thirty-five, all members of the school com-
27 mittee to be elected shall be elected for terms of
28 four years. The terms of all members of the
29 school committee shall begin with the first Mon-
30 day of January following their election and con-
31 tinue until their successors are chosen and quali-
32 fied. The members of the school committee shall
33 meet and organize on the first Monday of January
34 following their election.

1 SECTION 2. Section one of chapter two hun-
2 dred and six of the Special Acts of nineteen hun-
3 dred and nineteen is hereby amended by striking
4 out, in the third line, the word "nineteen" and
5 inserting in place thereof the word: — thirty-
6 two, — and by striking out, in the same line, the
7 words "four fifths" and inserting in place thereof
8 the words: — five sevenths, — so that the first
9 paragraph will read as follows: —

10 The school committee of the city of Boston may
11 annually, beginning with the year nineteen hun-
12 dred and thirty-two, by vote of five sevenths of
13 all its members, taken by yeas and nays, make
14 appropriations by items, which items may be
15 subdivided as the committee may determine,
16 which shall be included within the tax limits of

17 the said city for municipal purposes, as estab-
18 lished by law, and by section ten of this act, and
19 shall not exceed the sums stated herein upon
20 each one thousand dollars of the valuation on
21 which the appropriations of the city council are
22 based, and shall be in addition to the money
23 which may be given therefor, the income col-
24 lected and the balance of appropriations of pre-
25 ceding years, as follows: —

1 SECTION 3. The two members of the school
2 committee of said city of Boston elected at the
3 biennial municipal election held in said city in the
4 year nineteen hundred and twenty-nine shall,
5 subject, to the provisions of its charter, continue
6 to serve for the balance of the terms for which
7 they were elected and until the qualification of
8 their respective successors who shall be elected
9 at the biennial municipal election to be held in
10 said city in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-
11 three.