

HOUSE No. 1635

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 11, 1937.

The committee on Education, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 816) of Madeleine Carter Young and others that in certain cities and towns instruction in lip reading be provided in public and private schools for children who are hard of hearing, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1338) of Fred H. Hutchinson that towns offering instruction to physically handicapped children in their homes be reimbursed by the Commonwealth, report the accompanying resolve (House, No. 1635).

For the committee,

FRED HUTCHINSON.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

Resolve providing for an Investigation by a Special Commission relative to State Reimbursement of Cities and Towns for Expenses incurred for Instruction of Certain Physically Handicapped Children in their Homes and relative to providing Instruction in Lip Reading for Certain School Children who are Hard of Hearing.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission, to consist of
2 one member of the senate to be designated by the
3 president thereof, two members of the house of repre-
4 sentatives to be designated by the speaker thereof, one
5 representative of the department of education to be
6 designated by the commissioner of education and one
7 representative of the department of public welfare to
8 be designated by the commissioner of public welfare,
9 is hereby established for the purpose of making an
10 investigation relative to the subject matter of current
11 house document numbered thirteen hundred and
12 thirty-eight, relative to providing for reimbursement
13 by the commonwealth to cities and towns offering
14 instruction to physically handicapped children in their
15 homes. Said commission is hereby further authorized
16 and directed to investigate the subject matter of cur-
17 rent house document numbered eight hundred and
18 sixteen, relative to providing instruction in lip reading
19 for hard of hearing children in public and private
20 schools, and to consider particularly whether cities and

21 towns furnishing instruction in lip reading should be
22 reimbursed, in whole or in part, by the commonwealth
23 for expenses incurred therefor. Said commission may
24 expend for clerical and other services and expenses
25 such sum, not exceeding, in the aggregate, dol-
26 lars, as may hereafter be appropriated therefor. Said
27 commission shall report to the general court the results
28 of its investigations hereunder, and its recommenda-
29 tions, if any, together with drafts of legislation neces-
30 sary for carrying said recommendations into effect, by
31 filing the same with the clerk of the house of repre-
32 sentatives not later than the first Wednesday of De-
33 cember in the current year.

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