

By Mr. Buglione of Methuen, petition of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, Inc., Nicholas J. Buglione and Allan R. Chiocca for legislation to provide for the transportation of certain mentally retarded persons. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF CERTAIN MENTALLY RETARDED PERSONS.

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 nineteen of the general laws is hereby amended by
2 striking out section twenty-eight thereof and inserting in its place
3 the following section: —

4 *Section 28.* Whenever a mentally retarded person, other than a
5 school age child as defined in chapter seventy-one B, qualifies for
6 attendance at an educational habilitational or day care program or
7 facility of the department of mental health, the department shall
8 notify the school department of the city or town in which the
9 person resides of the admission of such person to such program or
10 facility. If the department shall deem that transportation of such
11 person to and from such program or facility is required, the depart-
12 ment shall provide such transportation, and for the purpose of
13 providing such transportation the department and the school com-
14 mittee having jurisdiction over secondary education of children
15 such transportation to be provided by or under the direction of such
16 school committee but at the expense of the department to be paid
17 in accordance with the terms of such contract.

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