
By Mr. Bachrach (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 303) of Raymond A. Rosborough, Pearl M. Rosborough and others for legislation to further define the child in need of special education. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT DEFINING CERTAIN MEDICAL TERMS AND METHODS OF EVALUATING THE CHILD ENTERING SCHOOL, THE SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABLED CHILD AND OTHER SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN.

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 766 of the acts of 1972 is hereby amended by in-
2 serting after section 13 the following three sections:

3 *Section 13A.* Biochemical defects shall be defined as con-
4 sidering both congenital conditions such as Hurler's Syn-
5 drome of the various aminoacidurias, as well as acquired
6 biochemical problems such as diabetes mellitus, hypoglycemia,
7 hypoadrenocorticism dysfunction, galactomemia, protein
8 malabsorption, tetany, predrabetic, schizophrenia, autism,
9 alcoholism.

10 *Section 13B.* Chronic illnesses shall be defined as including
11 all conditions such as allergies, specific food allergies, food
12 intolerances and elements of environment, recurrent urinary
13 tract infections, rheumatic arthritis, cystic fibrosis, renal
14 disease.

15 *Section 13C.* Nutrition can be evaluated on the basis of skin
16 folds, growth patterns, biochemical analysis, hair analysis,
17 blood, stool, urine, sublingual testing, functional x-ray, and
18 overall health.

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