

By Mr. Richards of Malden, petition of George Louis Richards that cities and towns be authorized to incur indebtedness for the establishment of health camps for undernourished school children. Municipal Finance. Jan. 15, 1924.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Four.

An Act relative to Children's Health Camps for Underweight and Undernourished School 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 SECTION 1. Section five of chapter forty of the Gen-
2 eral Laws, as amended by sections one and two of chapter
3 three hundred and seventy-one and by section six of
4 chapter four hundred and eighty-six of the acts of nine-
5 teen hundred and twenty-one and by chapter two hun-
6 dred and two and chapter four hundred and one of the
7 acts of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, is hereby
8 further amended by inserting at the end thereof the fol-
9 lowing new paragraph: — (31) For the establishment and
10 maintenance of children's health camps, as provided by
11 sections sixty-two A to sixty-two E, inclusive, of chapter
12 one hundred and eleven.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter one hundred and eleven of the
2 General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after sec-
3 tion sixty-two, under the heading "Children's Health
4 Camps", the following new sections: —

5 *Section 62A.* In each city and town which accepts this
6 and the four following sections the board of health shall,
7 without unreasonable delay, establish one or more children's
8 health camps for the care and treatment of children of
9 school age in said city or town who upon examination
10 are found to be in need of such care and treatment.

11 *Section 62B.* In each such city and town there shall
12 be an unpaid commission, called the commission on chil-
13 dren's health camps, to consist of the mayor or chairman
14 of the board of selectmen, the superintendent of schools,
15 the members of the board of health, all to serve ex-
16 officio, and the mayor or chairman of the board of select-
17 men to have no vote, and also seven residents of such
18 city or town to be appointed by the mayor or the chair-
19 man of the board of selectmen. Of the seven persons
20 first appointed after such acceptance, two shall be ap-
21 pointed for terms of one year each, two for terms of two
22 years each, and three for terms of three years each, and
23 thereafter as the term of each member expires his suc-
24 cessor shall be appointed for the term of three years.
25 Each appointment made to fill a vacancy in said commis-
26 sion shall be for the balance of the unexpired term.

27 *Section 62C.* Said commission shall maintain and have
28 control of all children's health camps established under
29 section sixty-two A, and in addition shall have the man-
30 agement of all sums appropriated by the city or town
31 for the maintenance of such children's health camps, as
32 well as of all trust funds given or bequeathed to the city
33 or town for such purpose, unless the donor in making the
34 gift or bequest shall otherwise provide.

35 *Section 62D.* The city or town treasurer shall be the
36 custodian of all funds mentioned in section sixty-two C
37 and shall invest and reinvest them and expend therefor
38 moneys as directed by the commission. The treasurer

39 shall furnish a bond satisfactory to the commission for
40 the faithful performance of his duties.

41 *Section 62E.* The commission shall, so far as is con-
42 sistent with the terms of any trusts for the purpose of
43 the establishment or maintenance of children's health
44 camps, manage and control the same, and distribute the
45 income thereof in accordance with the terms of the
46 respective trusts. The commission shall keep a record
47 of its doings and at the close of each financial year shall
48 make a report to the city or town, showing the total
49 amount of such funds and other receipts, together with
50 investments, receipts and disbursements on account of
51 the same, setting forth in detail the sources of the re-
52 ceipts and the purposes of the expenditures.

