

SENATE No. 957

By Mr. Harmon, a petition of Robert L. W. Kavin for legislation to require parents of children between the ages of two and three to cause such children to be examined by a physician to ascertain certain information relating to sight, hearing or mental impairment. Social Welfare.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT REQUIRING PARENTS OF CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF TWO AND THREE TO CAUSE SUCH CHILDREN TO BE EXAMINED BY A PHYSICIAN TO ASCERTAIN CERTAIN INFORMATION.

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 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by in-
2 serting after section 6 the following section: —

3 *Section 6A.* Every parent or other person in control of a
4 child who has attained the age of two and before he has at-
5 tained the age of three shall cause such child to be examined
6 by a physician for the purpose of ascertaining whether such
7 child has any defects in sight or hearing or is suffering from
8 obvious mental inpairment. The physician making the exami-
9 nation shall report the fact that he has made such examination
10 giving the name and address of the child but not disclosing
11 the result of such examination to the county clerk who shall
12 record the same.

