

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4021

By Messrs. Harrison of Gloucester and Dolan of Ipswich, petition of William L. Saltonstall that cities, towns and regional school districts be authorized to incur indebtedness for the purchasing of land and buildings of private schools and to receive state school construction grants to defray in part the costs thereof. Education.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy.

AN ACT PERMITTING CITIES, TOWNS AND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURCHASING OF LAND AND BUILDINGS OF PRIVATE SCHOOLS AND TO RECEIVE STATE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION GRANTS TO DEFRAY IN PART THE COSTS THEREOF.

*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 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after section 68 the following section:—
- 3 *Section 68A.* Cities, towns and regional school districts may
- 4 borrow from time to time such sums as may be necessary for
- 5 the purchase of buildings and land appurtenant thereto of
- 6 any private school and for the remodeling and rehabilitation
- 7 thereof, including any equipment and furnishing therein as
- 8 necessary therefor and may issue bonds and notes therefor
- 9 which shall bear on their face the words (name of city, town
- 10 or regional school district) School Project Loan, Act of 1970.
- 11 Each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan and
- 12 such loans shall be paid in not more than twenty years.
- 13 Indebtedness incurred hereunder, in the case of a city or
- 14 town, shall be in excess of the statutory limit and subject to
- 15 the approval of the emergency finance board; and in the case
- 16 of a regional school district shall be subject to the provisions
- 17 of clause (d) of section sixteen of this chapter or clause (n)
- 18 of said section sixteen, whichever is applicable, but shall,

19 except as herein provided, be subject to chapter forty-four  
20 exclusive of any limitation contained in section seven thereof.  
21 The treasurer of a city, town or regional school district may  
22 also make temporary loans under the provision of section  
23 seventeen of chapter forty-four in anticipation of the pro-  
24 ceeds of the bonds or notes.

25 If the state board of education, upon application of the  
26 city, town or regional school district, is of the opinion that  
27 the project with respect to the purchase of the buildings and  
28 land and the remodeling and rehabilitation is in the best  
29 interests of the city, town or regional school district, the said  
30 board may approve a school construction grant in accordance  
31 with the provisions of section nine of chapter six hundred and  
32 forty-five of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-eight, as  
33 amended.