

By Mr. Lombard of Fitchburg, petition of Gerald P. Lombard that presidents of institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth be authorized to adopt rules and regulations relative to conduct on campus and other school property. Education.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENTS OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION OPERATED BY THE COMMONWEALTH TO ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATIVE TO CONDUCT ON CAMPUSES AND OTHER SCHOOL PROPERTY.

*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 73 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 inserting after section 1D the following section: —

3 *Section 1E.* The president of every institution of higher  
4 education operated by the commonwealth shall adopt rules  
5 and regulations for the maintenance of public order on the  
6 institution's campuses and other institution property used for  
7 educational purposes and provide a program for the enforce-  
8 ment thereof. Such rules and regulations shall govern the  
9 conduct of students, faculty and other staff as well as visitors  
10 and other licensees and invitees on such campuses and  
11 property. The penalties for violations of such rules and regu-  
12 lation shall be clearly set forth therein and shall include pro-  
13 visions for the ejection of a violator from such campus and  
14 property, and in the case of a student or faculty violator his  
15 suspension, expulsion or other appropriate disciplinary action.  
16 Such rules and regulations shall be filed with the commissioner  
17 of education. All amendments to such rules and regulations  
18 shall be filed with the commissioner of education and not later  
19 than ten days after their adoption.

20 If the president of such an institution of higher education  
21 fails to file the rules and regulations within a reasonable time  
22 such institution shall not be eligible to receive any state aid

23 or assistance until such rules and regulations are duly filed.

24 Nothing contained in this section is intended nor shall it be  
25 construed to limit or restrict the freedom of speech nor  
26 peaceful assembly.