

SENATE No. 2149

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, April 30, 1981.

The Committee of Conference, to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches with reference to the House amendment of the Senate Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighty-one to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain new activities and projects (Senate, No. 2127), reports recommending that the Senate recede from its Non-concurrence in the House amendment and concur therein with a further amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2149.

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

1 SECTION 1. To provide for supplementing certain items in
 2 the general appropriation act and for certain new activities
 3 and projects the sums set forth in section two for the pur-
 4 pose and subject to the conditions specified therein are here-
 5 by appropriated from the Local Aid Fund, subject to the pro-
 6 visions of law regulating the disbursement of public funds and
 7 the conditions pertaining to appropriations in chapter three
 8 hundred and twenty-nine of the acts of nineteen hundred
 9 and eighty, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen
 10 hundred and eighty-one or such period as may be speci-
 11 fied, the sums so appropriated to be in addition to any
 12 amounts available for the purpose.

1 SECTION 2.

7052-0005	For grants and reimbursements to cities, towns, regional school districts and counties under the provisions of chapter six hundred and forty-five of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-eight, as amended, for annual payments on account of school projects approved prior to July first, nineteen hundred and seventy-five, and all other school projects approved on or after said date on which the first annual payment has been made	9,400,000
7061-0018	For the payment to cities, towns regional school districts, counties maintaining agricultural schools, and independent vocational schools of net increases in the distribution of funds under section eighteen A of chapter fifty-eight of the General Laws for fiscal years commencing July first, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight and ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and seventy-nine and commencing July first, nineteen hundred and seventy-nine and ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighty as certified by the commissioner of education	8,987,937

1 SECTION 3. Notwithstanding sections eighteenA and twenty
 2 A of chapter fifty-eight of the General Laws, section four of

3 chapter seventy of the General Laws, or any general or spe-
4 cial law to the contrary, no net decrease or withholding of
5 funds from any city, town, regional school district, county
6 maintaining agricultural schools, or independent vocational
7 school on account of monies received by such city, town re-
8 gional school district, county maintaining agricultural schools,
9 or independent vocational school through local aid distribu-
10 tion for general or special education charges for the fiscal
11 year nineteen hundred and seventy-nine and fiscal year nine-
12 teen hundred and eighty shall be made by the commissioner
13 of revenue during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and
14 eighty-one; provided, however, that such city, town, re-
15 gional school district, county maintaining agricultural
16 schools, or independent vocational school shall repay any
17 amounts overpaid by the commonwealth for fiscal year nine-
18 teen hundred and seventy-nine or fiscal year nineteen hundred
19 and eighty in equal installments over a period of five years
20 commencing not sooner than the first local aid distribution
21 in fiscal year nineteen hundred and eighty-two. Such amounts
22 shall be certified by the commissioner of education and shall
23 be limited to overpayments identified by said commissioner
24 during fiscal year nineteen hundred and eighty-one.

25 The provisions of this act shall not apply to any city, town,
26 regional school district, county maintaining agricultural
27 schools, or independent vocational school with such an ad-
28 justment or withholding of funds for fiscal years nineteen
29 hundred and seventy-nine and nineteen hundred and eighty
30 delayed by chapters four hundred and sixty-seven and four
31 hundred and sixty-eight of the acts of nineteen hundred and
32 eighty or any other special act.

33 Amounts repaid under the provisions of this section shall
34 be deposited in the Local Aid Fund and shall not be dis-
35 tributed without further specific appropriation.

1 SECTION 3A. Chapter 468 of the acts of 1980 is hereby
2 amended by striking out the first two sentences and insert-
3 ing in place thereof the following sentence: — Notwithstand-
4 ing any general or special law to the contrary, no adjustment
5 or withholding of funds from the city of Somerville on ac-

6 count of monies estimated to be received by said city through
 7 local aid distribution for general or special education charges
 8 for the fiscal years nineteen hundred and eighty and nineteen
 9 hundred and eighty-one shall be made by the department of
 10 revenue during the fiscal years nineteen hundred and eighty
 11 and nineteen hundred and eighty-one; provided, however,
 12 that the said city shall repay any amounts overpaid by the
 13 commonwealth for the fiscal years nineteen hundred and
 14 eighty and nineteen hundred and eighty-one in equal install-
 15 ments over a period of five years commencing not sooner
 16 than the first local aid distribution in fiscal year nineteen
 17 hundred and eighty-two.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage;
 2 and that the House concur therein.