

HOUSE No. 2299

By Mrs. Fiero of Gloucester, petition of Patricia G. Fiero and other members of the General Court that cities and towns be required to provide early childhood education programs in the public schools. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN ALL CITIES AND TOWNS.

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 adding
2 the following section:

3 Section 14. EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
4 PROGRAMS.

5 Early childhood education programs shall be provided by all
6 public school systems for children of the Commonwealth who are
7 three and four years of age. School districts which do not provide
8 early childhood education programs for all eligible children by
9 September 1, 1988, shall submit plans for the implementation of
10 early childhood education programs to the board of education by
11 December 31, 1988. All school districts shall provide for early
12 childhood education programs for all eligible children by
13 September 1, 1989.

14 The board shall establish curriculum guidelines for all early
15 childhood education programs and shall require that all early
16 childhood education programs shall be taught by certified
17 teachers.

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COMMISSIONERS OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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