

By Mr. Rogers of New Bedford, petition of George Rogers for state reimbursement to cities and towns and school districts for expenses incurred in the instruction and training of children with certain learning impairments. Education.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT REIMBURSING CITIES, TOWNS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE INSTRUCTION AND TRAINING OF CHILDREN WITH CERTAIN LEARNING IMPAIRMENTS.

*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 69 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 striking out section 29B and inserting in place thereof the  
3 following section:—

4 *Section 29B.* One half of the cost of the expenses of the in-  
5 struction, training and support of the children in the special  
6 classes or special instruction periods provided under section  
7 forty-six, forty-six A and forty-six H, of chapter seventy-one,  
8 and sections twenty-nine and thirty-two of this chapter, actu-  
9 ally rendered or furnished, including their necessary traveling  
10 expenses, whether daily or otherwise, but not exceeding ordi-  
11 nary and reasonable compensation therefor, shall be reim-  
12 bursed to the towns or any regional school district by the com-  
13 monwealth upon approval of the department and certification  
14 by it that such classes or special instruction periods meet the  
15 standards and requirements prescribed by it. The expenses of  
16 the instruction and support of the children in the special  
17 classes or special instruction periods provided under section  
18 forty-six K and forty-six L of said chapter seventy-one, includ-  
19 ing their necessary traveling expenses, whether daily or other-  
20 wise, but not exceeding ordinary and reasonable compensation  
21 therefor, shall be paid by the commonwealth from the Local  
22 Aid Fund. The department shall reimburse a city or town in  
23 which resides a child who attends a clinical nursery school

24 established under section thirteen B of chapter one hundred  
25 and twenty-three or a child who, because of insufficient class  
26 room space in a community clinical nursery school, attends a  
27 clinical nursery school, day care center or other institution  
28 for the care, education, or treatment of retarded children con-  
29 ducted by an accredited school or college within the common-  
30 wealth, as provided in said section thirteen B, or a child who  
31 attends an educational facility of the department of mental  
32 health, as provided under section thirteen C of said chapter  
33 one hundred and twenty-three, by paying to it one half the  
34 cost of the transportation of such child to and from such  
35 nursery school, day care center or educational facility, as the  
36 case may be, on each day it is in session.