

By Mr. Constantino of Clinton, petition of William Constantino, Jr., for legislation to further regulate gate receipts of district and state interscholastic sporting events. Education, Arts and Humanities.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

**AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING GATE RECEIPTS OF DISTRICT AND STATE
INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS CONTESTS.**

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 inserting
2 after section 3, the following section: —

3 Section 3A. In any district or state interscholastic sports event,
4 where a fee is charged for admission to such event, the officer or
5 officers in charge or supervising same, shall deduct twenty per-
6 cent from each such admission charge and make a return, on a
7 form approved by the department of education, to the school
8 committee of the city, town or district sponsoring such event. Said
9 school committee shall, at the close of the season for such event
10 or after the final event has occurred, within thirty days thereof,
11 remit to the said department of education all of such withheld
12 amounts. The state treasurer shall keep such funds in a separate
13 account and upon certification by the department, under a grant
14 program established for the purpose of assisting in reducing
15 school dropouts, pay to such cities, towns or districts such
16 amounts as it deems appropriate to prevent or assist in such drop-
17 out programs.

18 The department of education is hereby authorized to establish
19 a program to encourage students attending the public schools of
20 the commonwealth to remain in attendance until graduation and
21 to discourage school dropouts, so-called.

