

HOUSE . . . . . No. 1377

By Mr. Mann of Hanson (by request), petition of Carole T. McCormack relative to the financial responsibility for students placed in programs outside school districts. Education.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PAYMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL PLACEMENTS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 5 of Chapter 71B of the General Laws as most recently  
2 amended by Chapter 314 of the acts of 1982 is hereby further  
3 amended in line four by inserting after "special education;" the  
4 following: — provided, however, that neither the Department of  
5 Education nor the school committee shall have the financial  
6 responsibility for meals, room and board of those students placed  
7 in programs outside the school district, however, if the parents or  
8 guardians are unable to pay for said meals, room, and board, the  
9 funds shall be drawn from those funds allocated to the residential  
10 placement accounts of budgets of the Departments of Mental  
11 Health, Youth Services and Social Services.

