

HOUSE No. 2444

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 26, 1951.

The committee on Municipal Finance on the part of the House, to whom was referred the Bill authorizing appropriations by cities and towns for certain purposes in connection with physical education (House, No. 2272), report that the same ought to pass in the form of a new draft (House, No. 2444).

For the committee,

CORNELIUS KIERNAN.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS BY CITIES AND TOWNS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES IN CONNECTION WITH PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SCHOOL BANDS.

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
2 by striking out section 47, as most recently amended
3 by chapter 658 of the acts of 1950, and inserting in
4 place thereof the following section: —
5 *Section 47.* The committee may supervise and
6 control all athletic and other organizations composed
7 of public school pupils and bearing the school name or
8 organized in connection therewith. It may directly
9 or through an authorized representative determine
10 under what conditions the same may compete with
11 similar organizations in other schools. Expenditures
12 by the committee for the organization and conduct of
13 physical training and exercises, athletics, sports,
14 games and play, for providing proper apparatus,
15 equipment, supplies, athletic wearing apparel, includ-
16 ing appropriate souvenir garments and trophies, and
17 facilities for the same in the buildings, yards and play-
18 grounds under the control of the committee, or upon
19 any other land which it may have the right or privilege
20 to use for this purpose, and for the employment of

21 experienced athletic directors to supervise said physi-
22 cal training and exercises, athletics, sports, games and
23 play, shall be deemed to be for a school purpose. Cities
24 and towns may appropriate for the employment of
25 coaches to supervise in public schools physical train-
26 ing and exercises, athletics, sports, games and play,
27 and for the transportation of public school athletic
28 teams, coaches, cheerleaders, and bands bearing the
29 school name, formed in pursuance of the school pur-
30 poses authorized by this section, within and without
31 the commonwealth to places where athletic contests
32 or said physical exercises, sports, games or play are
33 held, and for the purchase of uniforms and musical
34 instruments for the members of bands composed of
35 public school pupils and bearing the school name
36 organized in conjunction with the school purposes as
37 aforesaid. All receipts by the committee in connection
38 with the conduct of activities provided for under this
39 section shall be deposited with the treasurer of such
40 town and held as a separate account and expended by
41 said school committee without further appropriation
42 notwithstanding the provisions of section fifty-three
43 of chapter forty-four. No moneys may be expended
44 from an appropriation or from the separate fund
45 authorized by this section except upon the approval
46 of the school committee for travel to states adjoining
47 the commonwealth, or, with the approval of the
48 selectmen in towns and mayors in cities, to other
49 states.

