

By Mr. Kulik of Worthington, petition of Stephen Kulik, other members of the General Court and another relative to the minimum required local contribution for the operation of public schools. Education, Arts and Humanities.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE MINIMUM REQUIRED LOCAL CONTRIBUTION TO SCHOOLS.

*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 70 of the General Laws, as appearing in Massachusetts  
2 General Laws Annotated, is hereby amended by striking out in  
3 section 2 the definition of "Preliminary local contribution", and  
4 inserting in place thereof the following definition: —  
5 "Preliminary local contribution", The lesser of (1) the local  
6 contribution of the prior fiscal year increased by a percentage  
7 equal to the municipal revenue growth factor and (2) the standard  
8 of effort amount, provided however, that for any municipality in  
9 which net school spending is less than the foundation budget  
10 amount, the preliminary local contribution shall not be less than  
11 the local contribution in the year prior; and, provided further how-  
12 ever, that for any municipality in which net school spending is  
13 greater than the foundation budget in no case shall the sum of the  
14 preliminary local contribution and the base aid and the minimum  
15 aid result in a reduction of net school spending to an amount less  
16 than the foundation budget amount; and, provided further how-  
17 ever, that the preliminary local contribution shall not be less than  
18 the fiscal year nineteen hundred and ninety-three local contribu-  
19 tion. The preliminary local contribution shall be defined sepa-  
20 rately for each municipality's share of each district to which it  
21 belongs.

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