

By Mr. Card of Holbrook, petition of Andrew H. Card, Jr., Andrew S. Natsios and Edward P. Kirby for legislation to require the publication of courses available in evening schools and the fees for such courses. Education.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

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AN ACT RELATING TO EVENING SCHOOLS; PUBLICATION AND FEES FOR INSTRUCTION.

*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 striking  
2 section 20, as most recently amended by chapter 137 of the acts of  
3 1977, and inserting in place thereof the following:—

4 *Section 20.* The school committee shall, two weeks next before  
5 the opening of each term of the evening schools, post in three or  
6 more public places in the town notice of the situation of said  
7 schools, the date of the beginning of the term, the evenings of the  
8 week on which they will be in session, such regulations as to  
9 attendance as it deems proper and the provisions of section ninety-  
10 five of chapter one hundred and forty-nine. Except in the City of  
11 Boston, the school committee is authorized to require payments, as  
12 tuition, the total of which shall not exceed the operating costs of  
13 such evening school. Except in the City of Boston, the school  
14 committee is hereby authorized to require from each student, not  
15 bound by law to attend, an advance payment of tuition for each  
16 course offered for which the student registers. The tuition for any  
17 one student shall equal that of any other student enrolled in the  
18 same course. In the City of Boston, the school committee may  
19 require from each student, not bound by law to attend, an advance  
20 payment not exceeding five dollars, which may, at its discretion, be  
21 paid into the city treasury to be credited to the school appropria-  
22 tion, or be returned in whole or in part at such times and under such  
23 conditions as the committee determines.

