

By Mr. Greene of Billerica, petition of William G. Greene, Jr., for legislation to further regulate the establishment of rates of wages for contracts for the transportation of school pupils. State Administration.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RATES OF WAGES FOR CONTRACTS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL PUPILS.

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

1 The second paragraph of section 7A of chapter 71 of the
2 General Laws, as appearing in the 1990 Official Edition, is hereby
3 amended by striking out the third sentence and inserting in place
4 thereof the following sentence: — The determined rate per hour
5 of said wages to be paid to each person employed by the bidder
6 in cities and towns outside of the Massachusetts Bay Transpor-
7 tation Authority shall not be less than those established by
8 collective bargaining agreements or understandings between
9 organized labor and employers in such city or town for operators
10 of motor buses; provided, however, that collective bargaining
11 agreements or understandings pertaining to services to be
12 provided under contract with any regional transit authority shall
13 not be included in said determination; provided, further, that if
14 no such rate is established by the commissioner of labor and
15 industries as a result of a lack of collective bargaining agreements
16 or understandings between organized labor and employers in a
17 city or town, the school committee of such city or town may
18 establish such a rate or rates of wages by calculating the average
19 of the prevailing wages paid to school bus drivers in contiguous
20 communities or if no contiguous community has a prevailing

21 wage, then the prevailing wage from the nearest geographical
22 communities are to be used, and provided, further, that in cities
23 or towns where such rate or rates have been so established, the
24 wages determined shall not be less than the wages for that type
25 of employment by such bidders.