

HOUSE No. 2004

By Mrs. Holland of Longmeadow, petition of Iris K. Holland and other members of the House that provision be made for appeals of certain decisions by the Department of Education relative to the placement of children in certain education programs. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SCHOOL'S APPEAL RIGHTS.

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 1. Section 3 of Chapter 71B of the General Laws as
2 most recently amended by Chapter 552 of the Acts of 1978 is
3 amended in the thirteenth paragraph by striking out the first
4 sentence and inserting the new following sentence: —

5 If the parents, guardians, persons with custody or the school
6 committee rejects the educational placements recommended by the
7 department, the matter shall be referred to the state advisory
8 commission on special education to be heard at its next meeting.

1 SECTION 2. Section 3, paragraph thirteen, is further amended
2 by striking out the third sentence and inserting the following new
3 sentence: —

4 If the parents, guardians, persons with custody or the school
5 committee rejects this determination, they may proceed to the
6 superior court with jurisdiction over the residence of the child and
7 said court shall be authorized to order the placement of the child in
8 an appropriate education program.

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IN ANSWER TO A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

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