

# SENATE . . . . . No. 2113

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## *The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

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SENATE, November 28, 1989.

The committee on Human Services and Elderly Affairs, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 653) of John P. Houston, Salvatore R. Albano, Thomas C. Norton, Nicholas J. Costello, Frederick E. Berry and Francis D. Doris for legislation to provide for rehabilitative services for those graduating from high school or those turning twenty-two; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 702) of Thomas P. White for legislation to provide for habilitative services for those graduating from high school or those turning twenty-two; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5174) of Paul Kollios and other members of the House for legislation to provide for habilitative services for disabled persons upon graduation from high school or upon attaining the age of twenty-two, reports the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 2113).

For the committee,

JOHN PATRICK HOUSTON.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR HABILITATIVE SERVICES FOR THOSE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL OR THOSE TURNING TWENTY-TWO.

*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 12C of Chapter 71B of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by striking the first sentence and substituting in place  
3 thereof the words: A disabled person who has been receiving  
4 special education under the provisions of this chapter shall be  
5 eligible upon graduation from high school or upon attaining the  
6 age of twenty-two, whichever occurs first, to receive habilitative  
7 services in the manner hereinafter provided. The department of  
8 mental retardation and all other state agencies providing services  
9 to said disabled persons are hereby authorized and directed to seek  
10 all possible federal matching funds and third party reimburse-  
11 ments available. The Executive Office of Human Services is  
12 hereby directed to conduct a feasibility study of sliding fee  
13 copayments for said services.