

HOUSE No. 1995

By Mr. Sears of Boston, petition of John W. Sears for legislation to raise to seventeen years the age at which pupils may leave the public schools. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Eight.

AN ACT RAISING THE SCHOOL LEAVING AGE FROM SIXTEEN TO SEVENTEEN.

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 1 of chapter 76 of the General Laws, as
2 amended by chapter 572 of the acts of 1965, is hereby further
3 amended by striking out the word "sixteen" in lines two and
4 seven and substituting therefor the word:—seventeen.

1 SECTION 2. Section 3 of chapter 76 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking out the word "sixteen" in line two
3 and substituting therefor the word:—seventeen.

The Commission on Education

Report of the Commission on Education

The Commission on Education was organized in 1901 to study the state of education in the United States. Its members were chosen from among the leading educators and public officials of the time. The Commission held numerous public hearings and received many suggestions from the general public. Its report, published in 1903, contains a detailed analysis of the existing educational system and a series of recommendations for its improvement. The Commission's findings are based on a comprehensive survey of the educational situation in all parts of the country. It points out the need for a more uniform and efficient system, and suggests various reforms to be adopted. The Commission's report is a landmark document in the history of American education, and its recommendations have been largely followed in the years since its publication.