

SENATE No. 1581

[Senate, July 19, 1976 — Moved (Parker) as a substitute new draft for House Bill, No. 4472].

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Six.

AN ACT REQUIRING THE FILING OF ANNUAL REPORTS BY CHURCHES, RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, NON-PROFIT SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES, AND CERTAIN OTHER NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS AND AMENDING THE LAW AUTHORIZING THE STATE SECRETARY TO REQUEST INFORMATION FROM CERTAIN CITY AND TOWN OFFICERS AS TO CERTAIN CORPORATIONS.

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 5 of chapter 190 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking out the second and third sentences,
3 as appearing in section 3 of chapter 819 of the acts of 1971,
4 and inserting in place thereof the following: —

5 The mayor and aldermen, selectmen or police commissioner,
6 upon the receipt of such statement, shall immediately make
7 investigation for the purpose of ascertaining whether any
8 location to be occupied is unsuitable and shall forthwith report
9 to the state secretary all the facts ascertained. If, in his
10 opinion, it appears from said report or otherwise that the
11 said location is not suitable, he shall refuse to issue a certifi-
12 cate of incorporation or approve the change of name or loca-
13 tion as the case may be.

1 SECTION 2. Section 26A of chapter 180 of the General Laws,
2 as most recently amended by chapter 684 of the acts of 1972,
3 is hereby further amended by striking out the last paragraph.

