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SENATE No. 215

By Mr. Locke, a petition (accompanied by Bill, Senate, No. 215) of David H. Locke, John H. Fitzpatrick and Royall H. Switzler for legislation to further regulate the support of schools. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

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 34 of chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby
- 2 amended by adding the following paragraph: —
- 3 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section a city or town
- 4 may, by a two-thirds vote of the city council and by a two-
- 5 thirds vote at the annual town meeting, respectively, reduce
- 6 or strike any item in the budget of the school committee.

