

By Ms. Hildt of Amesbury, petition of Barbara Hildt and Barbara Gardner for legislation to establish a statewide uniform entrance age for kindergarten and first grade pupils in the Commonwealth. Education, Arts and Humanities.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A UNIFORM PUBLIC SCHOOL ENTRANCE AGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 The board of education, hereinafter called the board, is hereby
2 authorized and directed to establish a statewide uniform entrance
3 age for kindergarten and first grade in the public schools of the
4 commonwealth. In order to determine the appropriate entrance
5 age, the board shall conduct a study of the entrance age
6 requirements for kindergarten and first grade. The board shall
7 perform said study in consultation with an advisory committee
8 appointed by the commissioner of education consisting of eleven
9 members, two of whom shall be public school teachers nominated
10 by the Massachusetts Teachers Association, two of whom shall
11 be public school teachers nominated by the Massachusetts
12 Federation of Teachers, one of whom shall be a member of a
13 school committee nominated by the Massachusetts School
14 Committee Association, two members of the House appointed by
15 the Speaker, and one member of the Senate appointed by the
16 President. The board shall file its report together with any
17 recommended legislation with the clerks of the House and Senate
18 and the Joint Committee on Education no later than the first
19 Wednesday in December, nineteen hundred and ninety-one.

IN SENATE, FEBRUARY 2, 1906.

REPORT OF THE

COMMISSIONERS OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

IN RESPONSE TO A RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

APPROVED BY THE SENATE, FEBRUARY 2, 1906.