

HOUSE No. 4600

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, September 6, 2016.

The committee on Education to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 314) of Garrett J. Bradley for legislation to increase the minimum amount of aid to public schools; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 333) of James M. Cantwell relative to funding for summer programming in recovery high schools; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 347) of Michelle M. DuBois and others that the Foundation Budget Commission be directed to study additional funding for class sizes exceeding local limits; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 348) of Peter J. Durant and John Marsi relative to municipal revenue growth factors for support of local schools and school districts; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 384) of Colleen M. Garry for legislation to establish parity in funding for regional vocational school districts and traditional public school districts; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 402) of Bradford R. Hill and others that current employee and retiree health care costs shall be included in the calculation of the foundation budget for school districts; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 403) of Bradford R. Hill and others relative to total amounts distributed to cities and town for the purpose of education; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 412) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for legislation to prohibit reductions of net school spending below the foundation budget amount; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 428) of Alec Ricker for legislation to increase public school funding in the Commonwealth; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 431) of James J. Lyons, Jr., and others for legislation to establish minimum state funding contributions to education foundation budgets; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 434) of Brian R. Mannel and others relative to determining the distribution of state aid for education to municipalities and regional school districts; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 480) of John W. Scibak relative to establishing a school choice district reimbursement plan for the Commonwealth; petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3228) of Thomas M. Stanley and others for legislation to include certain municipalities with increased English language learners as gateway communities for education funding; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3392) of Michelle M. DuBois and others for legislation to establish an unfunded student reserve fund to be expended, without further

appropriation, by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 4600) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

ALICE HANLON PEISCH.

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1 *Ordered*, That the committee on Education be authorized to sit during a recess of the
2 General Court to make an investigation and study of House documents numbered 314, 333, 347,
3 348, 384, 402, 403, 412, 428, 431, 434, 480, 3228, and 3392, relative to school finance and
4 school choice.

5 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
6 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
7 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
8 on or before December 31, 2016.