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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

An Act relative to special education finance.

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

SECTION 1. Section 8 of chapter 70B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 24, the word “and”.

SECTION 2. Said section 8 of said chapter 70B, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out paragraph (8) and inserting in place thereof the following:-

(8) priority shall be given to projects needed in the judgment of said authority to transition from court-ordered and authority approved racial balance school districts to walk-to, so-called, or other school districts; and

(9) priority shall be given to projects needed in the judgment of said authority to create space for in-district special education programs and services.

SECTION 3. Subclause (C) of subsection (a) of section 10 of said chapter 70B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- “The authority shall award incentive points for projects that include spaces for in-district special education programs and services, including special education programs and services provided by education collaboratives pursuant to section 4E of chapter 40 for public school districts within public school buildings.”