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91-H 7033

Introduced By: Reps. Urban, Parella,  
and Spero  
Date Introduced: April 3, 1991Referred To: Committee on Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. The town of Bristol and the town of Warren are  
2 hereby authorized to establish a regional school district to combine  
3 both existing school districts into a single school district. The  
4 regional school district shall be established in accordance with the  
5 terms of the agreement filed with the town councils of the town of  
6 Bristol and the town of Warren by the regional school district plan-  
7 ning board established under the provisions of chapter 16-3 of the  
8 general laws, 1956, as amended, and upon approval of the voters of  
9 the town of Bristol and the town of Warren.

10           SECTION 2. The terms of the agreement set forth below are hereby  
11 approved and confirmed.

12           SECTION 3. Agreement between the towns of Bristol and Warren,  
13 Rhode Island with respect to the formation of a regional school dis-  
14 trict. -- This agreement is entered into by the towns of Bristol and  
15 Warren of the state of Rhode Island, hereinafter sometimes referred to  
16 as member towns pursuant to the provisions of chapter 3, title 16 of

1 the general laws of 1956 of the state of Rhode Island as amended, for  
2 the establishment of a regional school district, hereinafter sometimes  
3 referred to as the regional school district or district. The regional  
4 school district shall be governed by a regional school district com-  
5 mittee, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the regional school dis-  
6 trict committee or regional committee.

#### 7 I. Transition Period

8 A transition period shall be established following the approval  
9 by the voters of the respective towns of Bristol and Warren authoriz-  
10 ing the formation of a regional school district comprised of said  
11 towns. This period shall run from the date of authorization of the  
12 voters through June 30, 1992.

13 During the transition period, the existing school committees in  
14 Bristol and Warren shall continue to operate their respective school  
15 districts. The existing school committees shall cease to exist after  
16 June 30, 1992. The existing school committees shall not enter into  
17 any agreement or contract that extends beyond June 30, 1992, unless  
18 such agreement or contract is formally approved by the elected region-  
19 al school district committee.

20 During the transition period, the regional school district com-  
21 mittee shall develop and implement plans for the effective operation  
22 of the regional school district, including programs, staff, facili-  
23 ties, transportation, and finances.

#### 24 II. Labor Provisions

25 During the transition period, the existing collective bargaining  
26 agreements for certified and non-certified personnel in both communi-  
27 ties will be honored. No layoffs for certified or non-certified per-  
28 sonnel covered by collective bargaining agreements will be made as a  
29 direct result of the regionalization of the Bristol and Warren school  
30 systems during the first year of operation.

31 The collective bargaining agreements in the towns of Bristol and  
32 Warren for certified and non-certified personnel in force on July 1,  
33 1992 will remain in effect until their original expiration date(s) or

1 until a replacement agreement is negotiated with the regional school  
2 district committee.

3 III. The Regional School Committee

4 There shall be a regional committee for said district consisting  
5 of nine (9) members. Each member town shall be represented on the  
6 committee in direct proportion to its population as determined by the  
7 most recent population census figures. The total population of the  
8 district shall be divided by nine (9) and the resulting quotients thus  
9 obtained shall be used as the basis for determining the proportionate  
10 representation of each said member town on said committee. Recogn-  
11 izing that the mathematical divisions of said formula may not result  
12 in even numbers, fractions of .5 or more shall be construed as 1 point  
13 and fractions less than .5 shall be construed as 0.

14 The members of said regional committee, shall be elected from  
15 each of the member towns on a non-partisan basis, for terms herein-  
16 after set forth. The proportionate representation of the membership  
17 of said regional committee shall be determined as of the time of each  
18 bi-annual election, based upon the most recent census. The first  
19 regional committee shall be elected in a special election to be held  
20 in November, 1991. In the special election of 1991 each town electing  
21 three (3) members of the regional committee shall elect two (2) mem-  
22 bers to serve a term of three (3) years and one (1) member to serve a  
23 term of one (1) year. A town electing more than three (3) representa-  
24 tives shall elect three (3) members for a term of one (1) year and ad-  
25 ditional members for a term of three (3) years. At the next general  
26 election in November, 1992, and at each general election thereafter,  
27 members shall be elected for a term of four (4) years.

28 In the event of any vacancy by death, resignation or incapacity  
29 to serve, the town council of the member town in which such vacancy  
30 occurs shall fill such vacancy by election by a majority vote of the  
31 town council of said term for a term lasting until the next regular  
32 election, at which time a member shall be elected to fill the unex-  
33 pired term. Members of the regional school district committee shall

1 receive an annual salary that is equal to the average of the salaries  
2 of the town council members of Bristol and Warren as of the preceding  
3 July 1st.

4 IV. Organization of the Regional School District Committee

5 At the first meeting of the regional school committee, to be held  
6 within thirty (30) days following the November 1991 election and qual-  
7 ification of members, the regional committee shall elect a chairperson  
8 and such other officers as are herein authorized. The regional commit-  
9 tee shall conduct an organizational meeting, for the purpose of elect-  
10 ing officers, within thirty (30) days of the qualifications of members  
11 elected in the November 1992 election. An organizational meeting to  
12 elect officers shall be held within thirty (30) days of the qualifica-  
13 tion of elected members following each general election thereafter. At  
14 the organizational meeting of the regional committee following the  
15 November 1994 election, and each two (2) years thereafter, the  
16 chairpersonship shall first be offered to a regional committee member  
17 from the town other than the town from which the current chairperson  
18 was elected. In the event that no member from the town which is enti-  
19 tled to the chairpersonship is willing to serve as chairperson, this  
20 office shall be offered to any regional committee member. The said  
21 regional committee shall also elect a vice chairperson, which shall  
22 first be offered to members of the town other than that which the  
23 chairperson represents, a secretary, and a treasurer, and such other  
24 officers as it deems advisable. The said secretary and treasurer may  
25 be the same individual.

26 The regional committee shall prescribe the powers and duties of  
27 its officers, fix the time and place of its regular meetings, and pro-  
28 vide for the calling of special meetings.

29 V. Powers and Duties of the Regional School District Committee

30 The regional school district shall be a body politic and corpo-  
31 rate and shall have all of the powers and duties conferred by law upon  
32 school committees, and all additional powers and duties conferred upon  
33 regional school districts of towns provided for in the section 16-3-11

1 of the general laws, including but not limited to:

2 (1) To adopt a name and a corporate seal.

3 (2) To sue and be sued but only to the same extent and upon the  
4 same conditions that a town may sue or be sued.

5 (3) To acquire, take over, operate and control all schools in the  
6 region, including land, buildings, equipment, furnishings, and sup-  
7 plies for the same, for the joint and common use of the member towns  
8 incorporated into the said regional school district, for the education  
9 of pupils attending grades pre-kindergarten through 12 inclusive, and  
10 with all the powers and duties pertaining to education and schools  
11 conferred by law in this state upon school committees and towns gener-  
12 ally.

13 (4) To acquire by purchase, gift, or other means of transfer or  
14 by condemnation, land, and improvements within the district as a site  
15 for a school or schools. To acquire also by any such method such  
16 rights-of-way and other easements as may be required in connection  
17 with the use of the site.

18 For the purpose of acquiring land by condemnation for the site,  
19 the regional district is given all the powers conferred upon cities  
20 and towns for the condemnation of land for school purposes by section  
21 16-9-5; provided, however, that the amount of land taken by the com-  
22 mittee may exceed five (5) acres but shall not exceed thirty (30)  
23 acres for any one building site. The description, plat, and statement  
24 of the land taken under this chapter shall be signed by the chairman  
25 of the regional school district committee and filed in the records of  
26 land evidence as provided in section 16-9-6. The owners of land or any  
27 person entitled to any estate or interest therein so taken by the  
28 regional committee shall have the same right of petition, the right of  
29 jury trial, and all other rights under the provisions of sections  
30 16-9-7 and 16-9-8.

31 Upon the filing of the description, plat, and statement of the  
32 land taken, the title of the land shall vest absolutely and in fee  
33 simple in the regional district notwithstanding that any of the land

1 taken is devoted to a public use, and the regional district, acting by  
2 and through the regional committee and its duly authorized agents, may  
3 immediately enter and take possession of the land without any process  
4 of law otherwise required by statute or common law, and remove any or  
5 all buildings, property, or other impediments thereon, and occupy,  
6 use, and improve the land for the purposes of section 16-3-2 notwith-  
7 standing any other provision of law.

8 The regional district, through its regional committee, is author-  
9 ized and empowered to pay for the cost of acquiring land for the  
10 school site from the proceeds received from the sale of bonds issued  
11 pursuant to the provisions of this agreement, whether the same be ac-  
12 quired by purchase or by condemnation, or partly by purchase and  
13 partly by condemnation.

14 (5) To secure competent architectural and engineering services  
15 for the taking of surveys, the preparation of plans and specifications  
16 for the construction and equipment of a school or schools in the  
17 regional district, and to employ such clerical assistance as may be  
18 necessary.

19 (6) To construct, furnish, and equip schools and improve the  
20 grounds upon which the schools are located and to make additions to  
21 the schools as may be needed.

22 (7) To dispose of real or personal property by sale, lease, or  
23 gift whenever such disposal is determined to be in the best interest  
24 of the regional district, as hereinafter provided.

25 (8) To lease from the respective towns of Bristol and Warren, for  
26 the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) per year, existing school buildings and  
27 the land upon which they are sited presently owned by the respective  
28 towns. The towns shall retain title to the buildings and land. The  
29 school district shall assume and pay for all debt service, mainte-  
30 nance, upkeep, and operation of the buildings leased by it from the  
31 respective towns.

32 (9) To make all contracts and agreements that may be necessary-  
33 for the exercise of the powers vested in the regional committee by

1 subsections (4), (5), and (6) and (7) hereof; provided, however, that  
2 the regional committee shall not make any expenditure or incur any  
3 liability unless the necessary appropriations have been authorized by  
4 the joint finance committee.

5 (10) To issue, when and if authorized by the joint finance com-  
6 mittee hereinafter provided for, after approval by the voters in the  
7 regional school district in a referendum authorized and conducted in  
8 accordance with the constitution and laws of the state of Rhode  
9 Island, under its corporate name and seal, bonds in serial form to an  
10 amount not exceeding the debt limits as hereinafter described. the  
11 bonds shall be signed by the chairperson and treasurer or the regional  
12 committee; the principal thereof and the interest thereon shall be  
13 payable in any coin or currency of the United States of America, that,  
14 at the time of payment, is legal tender for public and private debts,  
15 and the debt secured by the bonds shall be obligatory on the district  
16 to the same extent as other debts lawfully contracted by the district.

17 (11) To borrow, temporarily from time to time such sums as may be  
18 authorized by the joint finance committee as hereinafter provided, and  
19 to issue temporary notes of the regional district thereof, the pro-  
20 ceeds whereof shall be used only for the purposes set forth in subsec-  
21 tions (4), (5) and (6) of this section. Each authorized issue shall  
22 constitute a separate loan. Each issue may be for a period of not more  
23 than three (3) years and notes issued for a shorter period may be  
24 refunded or renewed from time to time by the issue of other temporary  
25 notes maturing within the required period of three (3) years, pro-  
26 vided, that the period from the date of issue of the original loan to  
27 the date of maturity of the refunding or renewal loans shall not be  
28 more than three (3) years.

29 Temporary notes of the regional district shall be signed by the  
30 chairperson and treasurer of the regional committee, and may bear  
31 interest or be sold at a discount. The period and discount or inter-  
32 est rate and other particulars of the temporary notes shall be fixed  
33 by the regional committee. The temporary notes and renewal notes,

1 including interest or discount on the notes and the expense of prepar-  
2 ing, issuing, and marketing the notes, shall, unless otherwise taken  
3 care of, be funded by the issue of serial bonds under the provisions  
4 of subsection (10) of this section. The aggregate principal amount of  
5 temporary notes issued and outstanding hereunder shall not at any time  
6 exceed the sum of the serial bonds authorized to be issued.

7 (12) To incur temporary debt after the regional district school  
8 or schools are constructed and in operation in anticipation of revenue  
9 to be received.

10 (13) To apply for and receive, accept and use, subject to the  
11 provisions of this agreement, any town, state, or federal funds or  
12 assistance, or both, including school housing aid as may be provided,  
13 whether in the form of a grant or a loan, or both, including, specifi-  
14 cally, such funds or assistance from state or federal sources as the  
15 member towns would otherwise be entitled to apply for and receive from  
16 such sources in the event that the regional district did not exist,  
17 but the use of which the member towns might be individually excluded  
18 by reason of the existence of the regional district.

19 (14) To publish an annual report, within ninety (90) days after  
20 the fiscal year ends, containing a detailed financial statement show-  
21 ing the total receipts and expenditures of the period covered by the  
22 report together with such additional material and information relating  
23 to the maintenance and operation of the school or schools as may be  
24 deemed necessary by the regional committee.

25 (15) To receive, accept and use any gift from private sources;  
26 and to receive and disburse funds for any regional district purpose.

27 (16) To engage legal counsel.

28 (17) To engage and employ a superintendent of schools for the  
29 regional district on a contractual basis for either a definite or  
30 indefinite term. The person so employed shall have all the powers and  
31 duties imposed upon a superintendent of schools by law.

32 (18) To reallocate any surplus as of the last day of the fiscal  
33 year so that any such surplus may be carried forward into the next



1 fiscal year and remain in the regional district accounts.

2 The regional committee shall annually cause an independent audit  
3 to be made of the accounts of the regional district, and on completion  
4 of each audit, a report thereof shall be made to the members of the  
5 regional committee. Copies of the audit report shall also be made  
6 available to the chairperson of each town council, the town clerk, and  
7 the highest elected official in each town.

8 The secretary and the treasurer shall furnish surety bond to the  
9 regional district in an amount to be determined annually by the  
10 regional committee. The expense of the bond shall be chargeable to  
11 the district.

#### 12 VI. Composition of District

13 The regional school district shall consist of all public schools  
14 in the towns of Bristol and Warren.

#### 15 VII. Type of District

16 The regional school district shall include all grades and pro-  
17 grams now provided by Bristol and Warren, and any other grades and  
18 programs so specified by the Regional Committee. <sup>BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER 1993,</sup> At a minimum,  
19 regional facilities that students from both towns will attend shall  
20 include the senior high school and the junior high school or middle  
21 school, whichever organizational structure may be deemed most appro-  
22 priate for educational reasons. Elementary students shall remain in  
23 their own community schools; except in special circumstances where the  
24 needs of the child will clearly be better met by combining students  
25 from both towns.

#### 26 VIII. Means of Apportioning Expenses

27 The total education costs of the regional district shall be  
28 apportioned between the towns based upon a per public pupil calcula-  
29 tion, using enrollment as of the prior October 1. On or before the  
30 second Monday in May, the treasurer of the regional district shall  
31 determine the proportionate share of the costs of the regional dis-  
32 trict for the next fiscal year to be borne by the towns and shall  
33 notify the treasurer of towns of the total amount.

1 Each of the treasurers of the respective towns shall transfer  
2 one-twelfth of the town's portion of local funds for the regional dis-  
3 trict to the treasurer of the regional district on the first business  
4 day of each and every month beginning with the month of July, between  
5 the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

6 A daily penalty charge shall be assessed by the regional commit-  
7 tee for late payment of the town's portion for operation aid to be  
8 based on the Donoghue Money Fund Report rate plus one-fourth of one  
9 percent.

#### 10 IX. Transportation

11 Transportation shall be provided by the regional district con-  
12 sistent with state law. Transportation shall be considered an opera-  
13 tional cost of the regional district.

#### 14 X. Admittance and Withdrawal of Districts

15 Any other city or town may be admitted to the Regional School  
16 District upon:

17 (1) Adoption of an appropriate amendment to this act, by an act  
18 of the General Assembly accepted and approved by a vote of the elec-  
19 tors of the towns of Bristol and Warren, and approval of the like  
20 electors of the city or towns seeking admission; and

21 (2) Upon compliance with such provisions of law as may be appli-  
22 cable and with such additional requirements as may be set forth in the  
23 act of amendment.

24 Any member city or town of the regional school district may peti-  
25 tion to withdraw from the district at any meeting of the district com-  
26 mittee upon six (6) months written notice, provided that the petition  
27 for withdrawal shall have been approved by a majority of the electors  
28 of the city or town qualified to vote at a referendum called for that  
29 purpose. Such petition shall not be approved except upon payment to  
30 the treasurer of the regional school district of any costs which have  
31 been apportioned and certified during the year in which the withdrawal  
32 is to take place. Such city or town shall remain liable to the dis-  
33 trict for its share of the indebtedness of the district outstanding,

1 including bonds, if any, at the time of such withdrawal, and for  
2 interest thereon, to the same extent and in the same manner as if the  
3 city or town had not withdrawn from the regional school district,  
4 except as such liability shall be reduced by any amount which the town  
5 has paid over at the time of withdrawal and which has been applied to  
6 the payment of such indebtedness and interest. Any money received by  
7 the Regional School District from a withdrawing city or town for the  
8 payment of indebtedness or interest thereon shall be used only for  
9 such purpose, and until so used, shall be deposited in trust in the  
10 name of the district with a Rhode Island company insured with a feder-  
11 ally guaranteed program.

12 XI. Preparation and Adoption of Budget

13 (1) It shall be the duty of the regional school district superin-  
14 tendent to present to the regional committee by January 15 a prelimi-  
15 nary budget containing estimates of the amount of money needed to  
16 operate the regional school district for the ensuing fiscal year. The  
17 form of said budget shall conform to the accounting system of the  
18 state department of education.

19 (2) The regional committee shall prepare and approve a budget  
20 which it believes will efficiently operate the regional district for  
21 the ensuing fiscal year by March 1 of each year. Upon approving the  
22 budget, the regional committee shall, within seven (7) days, post the  
23 budget at each town hall in Bristol and Warren, and, within ten (10)  
24 days, publish the budget in one or more newspapers of general circula-  
25 tion in each or both towns.

26 (3) The regional committee shall, by March 1, submit its budget  
27 to a joint finance committee for its approval. The joint finance com-  
28 mittee shall consist of nine (9) members. Each member of the joint  
29 finance committee shall be appointed by the respective town councils  
30 of Bristol and Warren for a term of two (2) years. The representation  
31 of the membership of the joint finance committee shall be apportioned  
32 according to the most recent federal census. The members of the joint  
33 finance committee representing the town of Bristol shall consist of

1 the administrator of the town of Bristol or a designee, the president  
2 of the Bristol town council, and other representatives from Bristol  
3 which may include other representatives from the Bristol town council.  
4 The members of the joint finance committee representing the town of  
5 Warren shall consist of the president of the Warren town council and  
6 other representatives from Warren which may include other representa-  
7 tives from the Warren town council.

8 The joint finance committee shall approve a budget within thirty  
9 (30) days after the regional committee submits its budget. Upon the  
10 approval of a budget by the joint finance committee, the regional com-  
11 mittee shall, within seven (7) days, post the budget at each town in  
12 Bristol and Warren, and, within ten (10) days, publish the budget in  
13 one or more newspapers of general circulation in each or both towns.

14 (4) A regional district financial meeting may be called upon  
15 petition of six hundred (600) district voters, filed in writing with  
16 the regional committee, within fourteen (14) days of the approval of  
17 the budget by the joint finance committee.

18 The regional committee shall submit the petition to the boards of  
19 canvassers for the towns of Bristol and Warren within twenty-four (24)  
20 hours of the receipt of the petition. The board of canvassers shall,  
21 within seventy-two (72) hours, verify that the petition has the neces-  
22 sary number of valid signatures. Upon such verification, the regional  
23 committee shall call a regional school district financial meeting, to  
24 be held within ten (10) days of the date of verification, for the pur-  
25 pose of determining the regional school district budget as to overall  
26 amounts. The regional committee shall give written notice of the  
27 regional district financial meeting by posting such notice at each  
28 town hall in Bristol and Warren, and by publishing such notice in a  
29 newspaper of general circulation in the regional district.

30 The moderator of the regional district financial meeting shall be  
31 the chairperson of the regional committee and the clerk of the meeting  
32 shall be the secretary of the regional committee.

33 A quorum for the regional school district financial meeting shall

1 be two hundred (200) qualified voters, and such quorums shall consist  
2 of not less than one hundred (100) qualified voters from each member  
3 town.

4 A majority vote of all the voters present at the special regional  
5 district financial meeting and qualified to vote shall be required for  
6 the adoption of the annual regional school district budget.

7 (5) Upon approval of the budget, each town shall appropriate the  
8 funds for the regional district which shall be apportioned between the  
9 cities on a per public pupil calculation using enrollment as of the  
10 prior October 1.

#### 11 XII. Receipt and Disbursement of Aid

12 All state and federal aid shall be distributed directly to the  
13 treasurer of the regional district with payment of such aid beginning  
14 the first fiscal year that the regional district shall be in opera-  
15 tion, which is July 1, 1992 through June 30, 1993.

16 Payment of additional state aid for regionalization as contained  
17 in section 16-7-20 shall also be made in the first fiscal year that  
18 the regional district shall be in operation, which is July 1, 1992  
19 through June 30, 1993. The amount of the additional aid for  
20 regionalization shall be calculated on all expenditures, as approved  
21 by the board of regents in accordance with currently existing rules  
22 and regulations for administering the state aid of each district, made  
23 in the period of July 1, 1990 through June 30, 1991, as defined in  
24 section 16-7-16(f). The regional committee may request from the com-  
25 missioner an advance from the additional state aid estimated for  
26 fiscal year 1992-1993, in an amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of  
27 the bonus aid, for use during the period between authorization of  
28 voters to June 30, 1992. The advanced amounts shall be deducted from  
29 the operations aid to be paid for the period July 1, 1992 to June 30,  
30 1993. All advanced amounts shall be subject to all applicable state  
31 laws and regulations.

#### 32 XIII. Transfer of Plant and Facilities

33 The towns of Bristol and Warren shall lease to the regional

1 school district, for the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) per year, existing  
2 school buildings and the land upon which they are sited which are  
3 presently owned by the respective towns.

4 XIV. Capital Outlay Debt Limitation

5 The regional district shall be subject to the statutory debt  
6 limit for incurring debt for capital outlay purposes in those regional  
7 districts embracing all the educational functions of the area to ten  
8 percent (10%) of the full valuation of the taxable real property  
9 within the districts as determined by the state board of tax equaliza-  
10 tion. If this results in increasing the debt requirements over the  
11 debt limits of any town or city which represents less than half of the  
12 true valuation of the regional district, this shall not be considered  
13 as a violation of the debt limit in such town or city.

14 XV. Regional School Fiscal Year

15 The regional district fiscal year shall begin on July 1 and end  
16 on June 30.

17 XVI. Appropriations by Member Towns

18 Each town that is a member of the regional district shall annu-  
19 ally appropriate a sum sufficient to pay its proportionate share of  
20 the interest on the bonds and notes issued and outstanding under  
21 authority of this agreement, and also to pay its proportionate share  
22 of the principal of the bonds and notes maturing in any one year until  
23 said bonds and notes are fully paid.

24 Each town that is a member of the regional district shall annu-  
25 ally appropriate a sum sufficient to pay its proportionate share of  
26 the operation of the regional district in accordance with the terms of  
27 this agreement.

28 "Proportionate share," as referenced above, is based on per  
29 public pupil calculation, as defined in section VIII of this agree-  
30 ment.

31 XVII. Process for Amending Regional Agreement

32 The agreement with respect to the formation of a regional dis-  
33 trict between the towns of Bristol and Warren may be amended by an act

1 of the general assembly accepted and approved by a vote of the elec-  
2 tors of the towns of Bristol and Warren.

3 SECTION 4. Approval question. -- The question of the approval of  
4 this act shall be submitted to the electors of the town of Bristol and  
5 town of Warren at the primary election to be held in September, 1991.  
6 The question shall be submitted in substantially the following form:

7 "Shall an act passed at the January, 1991 session of the general  
8 assembly authorizing the towns of Bristol and Warren to form a  
9 regional school district of all the public schools in the towns of  
10 Bristol and Warren to include all grades and programs currently pro-  
11 vided and any other grades and programs specified by the regional  
12 school committee be approved?"

13 SECTION 5. It shall be the duty of the town clerks of the towns  
14 of Bristol and Warren to keep a copy of the act available at their  
15 offices for public inspection, but any failure of any said clerk to  
16 perform this duty shall not affect the validity of the election.

17 SECTION 6. The provisions of section 16-3-9 requiring submission  
18 of the question to the voters within six (6) months of receipt of the  
19 recommendation by the town councils shall not apply and the date for  
20 submission provided herein is hereby approved.

21 SECTION 7. This section and sections 1, 4, 5 and 6 of this act  
22 shall take effect upon the passage of this act, and the remaining sec-  
23 tions of this act shall take effect if a majority of those electors  
24 qualified to vote upon a proposition to impose a tax or for the  
25 expenditure of money, voting upon the question as set forth in section  
26 4 in each of said towns shall vote in favor thereof.

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AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE TOWNS OF BRISTOL AND WARREN TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Presented by

Michael J. Urban, Jr 89  
Yvonne D. Farrell 90  
John J. Spero 93

READ AND PASSED IN CONCURRENCE TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR JUN 12 1991

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, RECEIVED JUN 12 1991 APPROVED JUN 17 1991

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES JUN 4 1991 READ AND PASSED

IN THE SENATE JUN 4 1991 Read and referred to the Committee on CORPORATIONS

IN SENATE JUN 7 1991 THE COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS RECOMMEND IN CONCURRENCE FOR THE COMMITTEE

IN THE SENATE JUN 7 1991 Ordered to be placed upon the calendar.

IN THE SENATE JUN 7 1991 Read and PASSED IN CONCURRENCE

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