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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $\mathcal{A}$ " to H.P. 594, L.D. 671, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Student Expulsion."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of subsection 5 and inserting in its place the following:

'5. Students expelled or suspended. Expel any obstinately student who is deliberately disobedient and or deliberately disorderly sehelar, or for infractions of violence or possession, furnishing or trafficking of any scheduled drug as defined in Title 17-A, chapter 45 after a proper investigation of his the student's behavior, and due process, if found necessary for the peace and usefulness of the school; and restore readmit him on satisfactory evidence of-his-repentance-and-amendment that the behavior which was the cause of the student being expelled will not likely recur. The school committee may authorize the principal to suspend students up to a maximum of 10 days for infractions of school rules;

## Statement of Fact

This amendment replaces the word willfully with deliberately, makes either disobedient or disorderly conduct grounds for expulsion, adds infractions of violence and drug use to the grounds for expulsion and adds reference to due process rights established under the constitution and case law. It does not prohibit the administration from suspending students while investigating where there are grounds for expulsion.

Reported by the Committee on Education.
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