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September 28, 1950

To Harland A. Ladd, Commissioner
Re: Town Appropriation for Tuition

I acknowledge your memo of September 26th, referring to mine of September 14th to Mr. Annas with respect to tuition payments for occupational courses, which request for an opinion grew out of issues in the town of Webster.

You now state that a municipal officer has asked for a ruling this morning on a third phase of the whole matter. He inquires if a town which supports a public high school with definite limitations in capacity and equipment, in a regular special meeting called for that purpose, appropriates a sum of money and authorizes the superintending school committee to pay the tuition for students who wish to attend an approved secondary school outside the town to study other than occupational courses.

In answer to the question submitted to you, I will say that I see no reason why this cannot be done if the town wants to assume the entire burden. However, it would not be eligible for additional reimbursement, as provided in Section 99.

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Attorney General