

HOUSE No. 2050

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 5, 1946.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom were referred the Resolve reviving and continuing the special commission relative to the laws pertaining to safety of persons in certain places of assembly (House, No. 1796), and the Bill providing that buildings and structures, other than the State House, owned or occupied by the Commonwealth or any of its political subdivisions shall comply with certain provisions of law relating to the safety of persons in buildings (House, No. 1797), report the accompanying resolve (House, No. 2050).

For the committee,

MICHAEL J. CONWAY.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Six.

RESOLVE REVIVING AND CONTINUING THE SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE LAWS PERTAINING TO THE SAFETY OF PERSONS IN CERTAIN PLACES OF ASSEMBLY.

1 *Resolved*, That the unpaid special commission
2 established by chapter sixty-seven of the resolves of
3 nineteen hundred and forty-three and continued by
4 chapter seventy-seven of the resolves of nineteen
5 hundred and forty-five is hereby revived and con-
6 tinued for the purpose of continuing its investiga-
7 tion and study of the subject matter of safety in
8 buildings, including single and two-family dwellings.
9 Said commission in addition to the matters set forth
10 in said resolves for investigation and study shall
11 investigate and study the subject of the safety of
12 persons in hospitals, sanatoria, homes for the aged,
13 homes for the mentally ill, nursing homes and other
14 institutions, both public and private, used and occu-
15 pied, in whole or in part, for similar purposes, and also
16 shall investigate and study the need for the regula-
17 tion of the use, in buildings and structures used in
18 whole or in part for human habitation or occupancy,
19 of electric wiring, electrical equipment and appli-
20 ances and oil burners and heating equipment. Said
21 commission shall in the course of its studies here-
22 under, consider the subject matter of current house
23 document numbered seventeen hundred and ninety-

24 seven, relative to providing that buildings and struc-
25 tures, other than the state house, owned or occupied
26 by the commonwealth or any of its political sub-
27 divisions shall comply with certain provisions of law
28 relating to the safety of persons in buildings. Said
29 commission shall include in its report the results of
30 said investigations and studies and its recommenda-
31 tions, together with drafts of legislation to carry the
32 same into effect. Said commission shall be provided
33 with quarters in the state house or elsewhere, may
34 hold hearings, may require by summons the attendance
35 and testimony of witnesses and the production of
36 books and papers; may travel within and without
37 the commonwealth; and may expend for necessary
38 assistance and expenses such sums, not exceeding,
39 in the aggregate, one thousand dollars, as may here-
40 after be appropriated therefor. The commission
41 shall report to the general court the results of its
42 investigations and its recommendations, if any, to-
43 gether with drafts of legislation necessary to carry its
44 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with
45 the clerk of the senate not later than the first Wednes-
46 day of December in the year nineteen hundred and
47 forty-six.

