

HOUSE No. 1036

By Mr. Chmura of Holyoke, petition of Stephen T. Chmura that Congress be memorialized by the General Court to investigate the awards and use of certificates of necessity calling for rapid tax amortization. Constitutional Law.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Five.

RESOLUTIONS URGING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO INVESTIGATE FULLY THE AWARDS AND USE OF CERTIFI- CATES OF NECESSITY CALLING FOR RAPID TAX AMORTIZA- TION.

Whereas, Grantees of certificates of necessity calling for rapid tax amortization have been guilty of abuse of the same, and

Whereas, Certain corporate entities in particular have been guilty of the abuse of the aforementioned certificates of necessity by transferring into plants constructed thereunder the manufacture of articles other than contemplated by the issuing authorities, and

Whereas, Industrial dislocation and factory closings have resulted due to abuse and manipulation of said certificates of necessity, and

Whereas, Unemployment, particularly in New England, has resulted due to the aforementioned industrial dislocation, with untold harmful effects on communal life in New England, and

Whereas, The General Electric Corporation, Westinghouse and others should be investigated relative to possible misuse of said certificates of necessity; therefore be it

Resolved, That the general court of Massachusetts hereby urges the Congress of the United States to investigate fully the award of the certificates of necessity, and rapid tax amortization enjoyed thereunder with the aim and purpose

of stoppage of abuses thereunder resulting in industrial dislocation; and be it further

Resolved, That the general court of Massachusetts hereby urges the Congress of the United States to eliminate said abuses by appropriate legislation; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be transmitted forthwith by the secretary of the commonwealth to the President of the United States, to the presiding officer of each branch of the Congress of the United States, and to all members of said Congress from the commonwealth and to the United States department of defense.