

SENATE . . . . . No. 1126

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By Mr. Doris, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1126) of Francis D. Doris for legislation to establish a state karate commission. State Administration.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-two.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE KARATE COMMISSION.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 22 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 inserting after section 12, the following section: —  
3 *Section 12A.* There shall be in the department a commis-  
4 sion, to be known as the state karate commission, which shall  
5 consist of three members to be appointed by the governor for  
6 terms of three years each. The governor, shall from time to  
7 time, designate one member of said commission as chairman.  
8 The members shall receive such salaries as the governor may  
9 determine. The members shall receive their traveling expenses  
10 necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties, and  
11 the commission shall be allowed such sums for clerical assist-  
12 ance as the governor and council may approve. The secretary  
13 of the department shall act as the secretary of the commis-  
14 sion and shall keep full and true records of all its proceedings.  
15 The commission may deputize one or more persons to represent  
16 the commission, and to be present at any match or exhibition  
17 authorized to be held. Such person may receive such compensa-  
18 tion for actual services as shall be fixed by rule or regulation  
19 of the commission, together with their traveling expenses  
20 necessarily incurred in the discharge of their duties. The  
21 chairman, in consultation with the other members of the  
22 commission, may make such rules and regulations as he may  
23 deem necessary, subject to the approval of the governor. Such  
24 rules and regulations may provide for and regulate the grant-

25 ing of a special permit for exhibitions where no decision is  
26 to be rendered and where a skilled boxer or boxers merely  
27 demonstrate the science of karate. The commission through  
28 the commissioner shall make an annual report to the general  
29 court of the acts of the commission.