

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 993

By Mr. Walsh of Boston, petition of Joseph B. Walsh and Robert H. Quinn for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the Commonwealth's economy in the event hostilities cease in Vietnam, the capacity of present private and public programs in meeting the need for conversion to other commercial activity and matters related thereto. Commerce and Labor.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE COMMONWEALTH'S ECONOMY IN THE EVENT HOSTILITIES CEASE IN VIETNAM, THE CAPACITY OF THE PRESENT PRIVATE AND PUBLIC PROGRAMS IN MEETING THE NEED FOR CONVERSION TO OTHER COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission, to consist of three  
2 members of the senate, five members of the house of repre-  
3 sentatives and seven persons to be appointed by the governor,  
4 one of whom shall be a representative of the Associated  
5 Industries of Massachusetts, one a representative of the  
6 Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, one a representative  
7 of the Massachusetts State Labor Council AFL:CIO, and  
8 one a representative of the Department of Commerce and  
9 Development is hereby established for the purpose of making  
10 an investigation and study relative to the effects on the Mas-  
11 sachusetts economy should hostilities cease in the Vietnam  
12 conflict; the feasibility of tax concessions or other subsidy  
13 programs to the cities and towns and/or private firms for  
14 conversion to other economic or commercial activity; the  
15 present levels of public and private programs for retraining  
16 and job replacement and other matters relative thereto  
17 which the commission deems relevant and proper.

18 Said commission may call upon officials of the common-  
19 wealth or its various subdivisions for such information as  
20 it may desire in the course of its investigation and study.  
21 Said commission may cooperate with any agency of the com-  
22 monwealth or its political subdivisions in the conduct of its  
23 investigation and study and may enter into cooperative  
24 agreements and contracts with any agency of the common-  
25 wealth or its subdivisions and with any private association,  
26 organization or corporation for the receipt of federal and  
27 other grants and gifts and for professional services, clerical  
28 and other services and supplies in connection therewith.

29 Said commission shall report to the governor and to the  
30 general court the results of its findings in the form of recom-  
31 mendations and drafts of legislation by filing the same with  
32 the clerk of the house, and a copy thereof with the governor,  
33 not later than January fifteenth, nineteen hundred and  
34 seventy.