

HOUSE No. 255

By Mr. Murphy of Malden, petition of Robert F. Murphy for appointment of a special commission (including members of the General Court) to study post-war problems of the Commonwealth in relation to providing a minimum of unemployment for persons now in the armed forces and those engaged in civilian capacities. Labor and Industries.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A STUDY OF POST-WAR PROBLEMS
BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION, TO BE KNOWN AS THE POST-
WAR VETERAN AND CIVILIAN REHABILITATION COMMIS-
SION.

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

1 There is hereby established an unpaid special com-
2 mission, to be known as the Post-War Veteran and
3 Civilian Rehabilitation Commission, and consisting
4 of one member of the senate to be designated by the
5 president thereof, three members of the house of rep-
6 resentatives to be designated by the speaker thereof,
7 the adjutant general and four persons to be appointed
8 by the governor, with the advice and consent of the
9 council. Of said appointive members, one shall be
10 a recognized leader in the field of education, one a
11 recognized leader in the field of labor, one a recog-

12 nized leader in the field of industry and one a recog-
13 nized leader in the field of agriculture. Said com-
14 mission shall make a study of the economic resources
15 within the confines of the commonwealth, including
16 agriculture, industry and man power, with a view
17 to providing for a minimum of unemployment and
18 a maximum of opportunity for work for persons now
19 in the armed forces of the United States who, at the
20 time of their demobilization, will be seeking employ-
21 ment, as well as for persons now engaged in a civilian
22 capacity in war work who may be unemployed at
23 the time when industry will be converted from a war
24 time producing program to a peace time producing
25 program. Said commission shall be provided with
26 quarters in the state house or elsewhere, and may
27 expend for necessary assistance and expenses such
28 sums, not exceeding in the aggregate, dollars
29 as may hereafter be appropriated therefor. The said
30 commission shall report to the general court the re-
31 sults of its study and its recommendations, if any,
32 together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry
33 its recommendations into effect, by filing one or more
34 reports with the clerk of the house of representatives
35 at such time or times as the commission may elect;
36 provided, that the commission shall file a report not
37 later than the first Wednesday of December in the
38 year nineteen hundred and forty-four.