

SENATE No. 621

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, March 25, 1953.

The committee on Water Supply, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 545) of the city of Holyoke board of water commissioners, by James E. Barry, that said city be authorized to increase its water supply, report the accompanying resolve (Senate, No. 621).

For the committee,

A. B. CENEDELLA, JR.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE WATER SUPPLY NEEDS AND RESOURCES OF THE CITY OF HOLYOKE AND THE TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON.

1 *Resolved*, That an unpaid special commission, to
2 consist of the director of the division of sanitary en-
3 gineering of the department of public health, or a per-
4 son in said department designated by him, the mayor
5 of the city of Holyoke, or a member of the board of
6 water commissioners designated by him, the city
7 solicitor of the city of Holyoke, a member of the
8 board of selectmen of the town of Southamptton or
9 such person as a majority of said board may desig-
10 nate, the town counsel of the town of Southamptton,
11 and two persons to be appointed by the governor, is
12 hereby established for the purpose of making an in-
13 vestigation and study of the water supply needs and
14 resources of the city of Holyoke and the town of
15 Southamptton. The commission shall investigate the
16 water supply needs and resources of the city of Hol-
17 yoke and the town of Southamptton, including all
18 questions relating to quantities of water to be obtained
19 from available sources, its quality, the best method
20 of protecting the purity of the water, the construc-
21 tion, operation and maintenance of works for storing,
22 conveying and purifying the water, the cost of the

23 same, metering of all water sold to all consumers, dam-
24 ages to property, and all other matters pertaining to
25 the subject. In making its investigation and study of
26 water supply in said city and town, said commission
27 shall consider the subject matter of current senate
28 document numbered five hundred and forty-five.
29 Said commission shall be provided with quarters in
30 the state house or elsewhere, may hold hearings, and
31 shall have the power to summon witnesses and to re-
32 quire the production of books, records and papers
33 and the giving of testimony under oath. The com-
34 mission shall have power to employ such engineers
35 and other assistants, including the procurement of
36 the services of such consulting engineers as may be
37 necessary, and to incur such expenses as may be neces-
38 sary for carrying out the provisions of this resolve.
39 The commission may expend for the purposes of this
40 resolve a sum not to exceed seventy-five hundred dol-
41 lars. Said commission shall report to the general
42 court the results of its investigation and study, and
43 its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of
44 legislation necessary to carry said recommendations
45 into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the
46 senate on or before the first Wednesday in December,
47 nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

