

# HOUSE . . . . No. 2319

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 27, 1954.

The committee on Legal Affairs, to whom were referred the petitions (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 358) of Thomas E. Dwyer for legislation relative to the adoption of children, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 217) of J. Philip Howard that the Department of Public Welfare be required to submit certain reports to courts in cases relating to the adoption of children, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1690) of Joseph P. Graham for the protection of children in the same religion as their parents or surviving parent in certain cases of adoption of guardianship and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2074) of M. Ruth Norton for legislation to revise the law relating to adoption of children, report the accompanying resolve (House, No. 2319).

For the committee,

THOMAS M. NEWTH.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### RESOLVE INCREASING THE SCOPE OF THE STUDY BY THE SPECIAL COMMISSION ESTABLISHED TO STUDY AND REVISE THE LAWS RELATING TO PUBLIC WELFARE.

1 *Resolved*, That the commission established by chap-  
2 ter thirty-three of the resolves of nineteen hundred  
3 and fifty-three, and the scope of its study increased  
4 by chapter seventy-five of the resolves of said year  
5 in making its study shall consider the subject matter  
6 of current senate document numbered 358 and of  
7 current house documents numbered 217, 1690 and  
8 2074 relating to the adoption of children.