

# SENATE . . . . No. 269

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To accompany the petition of Thomas M. Burke for the appointment of a joint special committee to investigate and study the desirability of abolishing county government within the Commonwealth. Rules, acting concurrently.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Six.

Resolve providing for an Investigation and Study by a Joint Special Committee relative to the Desirability of abolishing County Government within the Commonwealth.

1 *Resolved*, That a joint special committee, to consist  
2 of       members of the senate to be designated by the  
3 president thereof and       members of the house  
4 of representatives to be designated by the speaker  
5 thereof, is hereby established for the purpose of mak-  
6 ing an investigation and study of the desirability of  
7 abolishing county government within the common-  
8 wealth. Said committee shall be provided with  
9 quarters in the state house or elsewhere, shall hold  
10 hearings and may expend, after an appropriation has  
11 been made, for clerical and other services and expenses,  
12 such sums, not exceeding, in the aggregate,  
13 dollars, as may be approved by the governor and  
14 council. Said committee shall report to the general  
15 court the results of its investigation and its recom-  
16 mendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation  
17 necessary to carry its recommendations into effect,  
18 by filing the same with the clerk of the senate not later  
19 than the first Wednesday of December in the current  
20 year.

