

By Mr. Della Russo, a petition of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, by Edward F. McLaughlin, Jr., general counsel, for legislation to exempt the Metropolitan Transit Authority from paying fees and charges for filing certain documents with the Department of Public Utilities. Metropolitan Affairs.

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*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Four.  
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AN ACT EXEMPTING THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY FROM  
PAYING FEES AND CHARGES FOR FILING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS WITH  
THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 10B of chapter 25 of the General Laws,  
2 inserted therein by chapter 630 of the acts of 1963, is hereby  
3 amended by adding at the end thereof the following para-  
4 graph: —The Metropolitan Transit Authority shall not be  
5 required to pay any fee or charge which the department is  
6 authorized and directed to charge and collect by this section.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

The Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate of the State of New York, in response to a resolution of the Senate, passed on the 10th day of January, 1903, and reported the following report to the Senate on the 10th day of February, 1903:

The Commission on the Administration of the Courts

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the State of New York, the Commission on the Administration of the Courts was organized on the 10th day of January, 1903, and has since that time been engaged in a study of the various questions connected with the administration of the courts of this State.

The Commission has held numerous public hearings, and has received many suggestions from the judges, lawyers, laymen, and laywomen of this State, and from other sources. It has also conducted extensive research into the various problems connected with the administration of the courts, and has endeavored to determine the causes of the existing evils, and to find the best means of remedying them.

The Commission has found that the present administration of the courts of this State is characterized by a number of serious defects, which have resulted in a loss of confidence in the judiciary, and in a general feeling of dissatisfaction with the present system. These defects are of a nature which require the most prompt and effective remedy.

The Commission has endeavored to find the best means of remedying these defects, and has proposed a number of reforms which it believes will result in a more efficient and economical administration of the courts. These reforms are of a fundamental nature, and require the enactment of legislation by the Legislature of this State. The Commission believes that the reforms proposed will result in a more prompt and economical administration of the courts, and will restore the confidence of the people in the judiciary.

The Commission believes that the reforms proposed are of a nature which require the most prompt and effective remedy, and it urges the Legislature to take prompt action thereon.