

SENATE No. 321

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SENATE, March 10, 1925.

The committee on State Administration, to whom were referred the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 48) of William W. Ollendorff for the establishment of a special State fund to be used for meeting extraordinary emergencies occasioned by the destruction of State property by fire or other catastrophe; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 227) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that there be established an emergency State fund for the purpose of repairing or replacing State property which may be damaged or destroyed by fire, report the accompanying Resolve (Senate, No. 321).

For the committee,

GEO. D. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Five.

Resolve authorizing an Investigation as to the Most Economical and Feasible Method of providing against the Loss of State Property by Fire or Other Casualty.

1 *Resolved*, That the commission on adminis-
2 tration and finance be authorized and directed
3 to inquire into the subject-matter of so much of
4 the address of His Excellency the Governor as
5 relates to the establishment of a sinking or insur-
6 ance fund whereby to meet losses of state prop-
7 erty resulting from fire or other catastrophe, of
8 current Senate Bill, No. 48, providing for the
9 establishment in the state treasury of a state fire
10 emergency fund and of current Senate Bill, No.
11 227, relating to the same subject, and what legis-
12 lation relative thereto is desirable. The commis-
13 sion shall consider the experience of the common-
14 wealth in the matter of fire and other losses, the
15 methods in vogue in other states in relation to
16 such losses, the relative merits of company insur-
17 ance and other possible modes of avoiding sudden
18 demands upon the resources of the commonwealth,
19 of which the recent destruction of the Bridge-
20 water state normal school is an instance. The
21 commission shall report to the General Court the

22 results of its investigation, with drafts of such
23 legislation as may be necessary to effect its
24 recommendations, by filing the same with the
25 clerk of the senate on or before the fifteenth day
26 of December in the current year.

