

# SENATE . . . . No. 170

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To accompany the petition of P. Eugene Casey for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) of the financial structure of the power and light companies transacting business within the Commonwealth. Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

Resolve providing for an Investigation and Study by a Special Commission of the Financial Structure and the Physical Value of Certain Power and Light Companies transacting Business within the Commonwealth.

1 *Resolved*, That a special unpaid commission,  
2 to consist of two members of the senate to be  
3 designated by the president thereof and five  
4 members of the house of representatives to be  
5 designated by the speaker thereof, is hereby es-  
6 tablished to investigate and study the entire  
7 financial structure and physical value of the  
8 several privately owned power and light com-  
9 panies, so called, transacting business within the  
10 commonwealth. Said commission shall hold  
11 hearings, shall be provided with quarters in the  
12 state house or elsewhere, shall have the power to  
13 summon witnesses, require the production of

14 books, records, contracts and papers, and re-  
15 quire the giving of testimony under oath. Said  
16 commission may expend for expenses and legal,  
17 clerical and other assistance such sums, not ex-  
18 ceeding, in the aggregate,                   dollars, as  
19 may hereafter be appropriated. Said commis-  
20 sion shall report to the general court the results  
21 of its investigations and its recommendations,  
22 if any, together with drafts of legislation neces-  
23 sary to carry said recommendations into effect,  
24 by filing the same with the clerk of the senate  
25 not later than the first Wednesday of December  
26 in the current year.