

# SENATE . . . . No. 541

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, April 30, 1945.

The committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 367) of Ralph V. Clampit for legislation to further regulate the assignment of special justices in district courts by the administrative committee of the district courts; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 318) of Mayo Adams Shattuck for legislation to restrict the practice of law by justices, special justices, clerks and assistant clerks of district courts; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 644) of Albert Hurwitz for legislation to establish county courts within the Commonwealth; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 645) of Albert Hurwitz for legislation to establish county courts in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex; report the accompanying resolve (Senate, No. 541).

For the committee,

RICHARD S. BOWERS.

REPRESENTATIVES SULLIVAN of Cambridge, DRISCOLL of Boston and LANIGAN of Boston dissenting.

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY  
BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE DISTRICT  
COURT SYSTEM OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 *Resolved*, That a special unpaid commission to  
2 consist of the committee on the judiciary and one  
3 person to be appointed by the governor, with the  
4 advice and consent of the council, is hereby estab-  
5 lished to make an investigation and study of the  
6 district court system of the commonwealth, with a  
7 view to recommending such changes in said system  
8 as it may deem necessary or desirable. In making  
9 its investigation and study hereunder, said commis-  
10 sion shall consider the subject matter of current  
11 senate document numbered three hundred and sixty-  
12 seven, of current house documents numbered three  
13 hundred and eighteen, six hundred and forty-four  
14 and six hundred and forty-five, and the recommenda-  
15 tions of the Judicial Council contained on pages  
16 twenty to thirty-three, inclusive, of its twentieth  
17 report. Said commission may expend for expenses  
18 and clerical and other assistance such sums, not ex-  
19 ceeding, in the aggregate, seven thousand five hun-  
20 dred dollars, as may hereafter be appropriated there-  
21 for. Said commission shall report to the general  
22 court the results of its investigation and study, and

23 its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of  
24 legislation necessary to carry said recommendations  
25 into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the  
26 senate on or before the first day of February in the  
27 year nineteen hundred and forty-six.

