

SENATE No. 551

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, May 10, 1945.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 423) of Edward M. Rowe that provision be made for the establishment and maintenance of the Massachusetts Medical School, the control thereof and certain other matters relative thereto; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 910) of Morris Kritzman for the establishment of a Massachusetts state university with power to grant degrees in preparation for the post-war need for higher education; the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1212) of P. Gerard Cahill for the appointment of a special commission (including members of the General Court) to make a detailed study relative to the feasibility of creating a state university including the state teachers colleges; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1355) of Joseph B. Harrington for the establishment of a state university under the supervision of the Department of Education for the education of citizens and war veterans of the Commonwealth; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1511) of John W. Vaughan that a Massachusetts university of medicine be established for the instruction of citizens in the practice of medicine; report the accompanying Resolve (Senate, No. 551).

For the committee,

RALPH C. MAHAR.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION OF THE ADVISABILITY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATE UNIVERSITY, INCLUDING A MEDICAL SCHOOL AND A DENTAL SCHOOL.

1 *Resolved*, That a special unpaid commission, con-
2 sisting of the commissioner of education or a person
3 in his department designated by him, the president
4 of the Massachusetts state college or a person desig-
5 nated by him, three members of the senate to be ap-
6 pointed by the president thereof, six members of the
7 house of representatives to be appointed by the
8 speaker thereof, and three persons to be appointed
9 by the governor, is hereby established for the purpose
10 of investigating and studying the advisability of the
11 creation of a state university for the commonwealth
12 of Massachusetts, together with the advisability of
13 the creation of a state medical school and a state
14 dental school as part of said state university. Said
15 commission shall give consideration to the existing
16 Massachusetts state college and the state teachers'
17 colleges as possible component parts of such a state
18 university. Special reference shall be made by said
19 commission to the arranging of curricula and the
20 possible division of said state university into schools
21 of various academic endeavor. Said commission shall
22 study the subject matter of current senate document

23 numbered four hundred and twenty-three and cur-
24 rent house documents numbered nine hundred and
25 ten, twelve hundred and twelve, thirteen hundred
26 and fifty-five and fifteen hundred and eleven. Said
27 commission may expend for clerical and other services
28 and traveling and other expenses such sums, not ex-
29 ceeding, in the aggregate, five thousand dollars, which
30 may hereafter be appropriated therefor. Said com-
31 mission shall be furnished with offices in the state
32 house or elsewhere, shall have the power to summon
33 witnesses and to require the production of books,
34 records and papers, and the giving of testimony
35 under oath, may travel inside and outside the com-
36 monwealth, and in making its study hereunder may
37 call upon officers of the commonwealth and its politi-
38 cal subdivisions for such information as it may desire.
39 Said commission shall report to the general court the
40 result of its study and its recommendations, if any,
41 together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry
42 said recommendations into effect, by filing the same
43 with the clerk of the senate on or before the first
44 Wednesday of December in the current year.

