

SENATE No. 581

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, June 4, 1945.

The committee on Public Welfare, to whom was referred so much of the report of the special commission (including members of the General Court) established (under Chapter 38 of the Resolves of 1943) for the purpose of making an investigation and study of the old age assistance law and certain related matters (House, No. 1650) as relates to the care of defective blind children apart from those who are sighted (pages 8 and 9); and to special disabilities of feeble-mindedness and epilepsy (pages 27-47), report the accompanying resolve (Senate, No. 581).

For the committee,

JOSEPH F. MONTMINY.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL UNPAID COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE ADVISABILITY OF ESTABLISHING AN INSTITUTION FOR THE CARE OF BLIND FEEBLE-MINDED, BLIND EPILEPTIC AND BLIND FEEBLE-MINDED EPILEPTIC PERSONS IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 *Resolved*, That an unpaid special commission, con-
2 sisting of one member of the senate, to be designated
3 by the president thereof, three members of the house
4 of representatives, to be designated by the speaker
5 thereof, and three persons to be appointed by the
6 governor, is hereby established for the purpose of
7 investigating and inquiring into the problem of and
8 the opportunities for treatment of blind feeble-
9 minded, blind epileptic and blind feeble-minded epi-
10 leptic persons in the commonwealth, with a view to
11 determining the advisability or necessity of establish-
12 ing an institution for the care and treatment of such
13 persons. Said commission shall be provided with
14 quarters in the state house or elsewhere, may hold
15 hearings, and may expend for necessary assistance
16 and expenses such sums, not exceeding
17 dollars, as may hereafter be appropriated therefor.
18 The commission shall report to the general court the
19 results of its investigation and its recommendations,

20 if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to
21 carry its recommendations into effect, by filing the
22 same with the clerk of the senate not later than the
23 first Wednesday of December in the year nineteen
24 hundred and forty-five.

