

SENATE No. 579

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SENATE, June 9, 1913.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was committed the Senate Bill to incorporate the Millers River Improvement Company (Senate, No. 560); and the House Resolve relative to conserving the head waters of the Connecticut River (House, No. 2508), report that the same ought to pass in the form of a resolve herewith submitted.

For the committee,

CHARLES E. WARD.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen.

RESOLVE

To investigate Methods of conserving and equalizing the Flow of Waters in the Rivers and Streams of the Commonwealth.

1 *Resolved*, That the chairman of the board of harbor
2 and land commissioners, the chairman of the board of gas
3 and electric light commissioners and the attorney-general
4 are hereby created a commission to investigate and re-
5 port to the general court on or before the second Wednes-
6 day of January, nineteen hundred and fourteen, what
7 legislation, if any, is expedient or advisable to better
8 conserve the waters and provide for the utilization and
9 equalization of the flow thereof in the rivers and natural
10 streams of the commonwealth. The commission shall hold
11 such public hearings at such times and places as it may
12 appoint for the purpose of hearing parties interested,
13 and may employ such engineers and other assistants as
14 may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this re-
15 solve.

16 The commissioners shall submit their report with such
17 recommendations as they deem advisable, together with
18 such draft or drafts of proposed legislation, if any, as
19 they may deem necessary to carry such recommendations
20 into effect. The commission may expend from the treas-
21 ury of the commonwealth a sum not exceeding five
22 thousand dollars.