

HOUSE No. 2681

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 9, 1961.

The committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1008) of the Massachusetts Trial Lawyers Association for defining further the duties of a trial judge in certain actions at law in the Superior Court; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1857) of Ronald J. Chisholm for legislation providing for mandatory sequestration of witnesses upon request, report the accompanying resolve (House, No. 2681).

For the committee,

SAMUEL HARMON.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-One.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL RELATIVE TO FURTHER DEFINING THE DUTIES OF A TRIAL JUDGE IN CERTAIN ACTIONS AT LAW IN THE SUPERIOR COURT AND RELATIVE TO PROVIDING FOR MANDATORY SEQUESTRATION OF WITNESSES UPON REQUEST.

1 *Resolved*, That the judicial council be requested to investigate
2 the subject matter of current house documents numbered 1008,
3 relative to further defining the duties of a trial judge in certain
4 actions at law in the superior court; and 1857, relative to pro-
5 viding mandatory sequestration of witnesses upon request, and
6 to include its conclusions and its recommendations, if any, in
7 relation thereto, together with drafts of such legislation as may
8 be necessary to give effect to the same, in its annual report for
9 the current year.