
The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 13, 1965.

The committee on State Administration, to whom were referred so much of the recommendations of the State Tax Commission (House, No. 126) as relates to the awarding of contracts for construction and for materials by counties, cities, towns, and districts in cases of extreme emergency (accompanied by bill, House, No. 140); and as relates to the awarding of contracts for repairs to public buildings by counties, cities, towns, and districts in cases of extreme emergency (accompanied by bill, House, No. 141); the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 856) of Sidney Q. Curtiss for requiring public bids for leases or licenses in connection with the operation of any concession upon state owned or controlled property; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1836) of Mary B. Newman for legislation to clarify the application of the public building bidding statute to the Massachusetts Port Authority; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1837) of Domenick S. Pasciucco relative to clarifying the status of restricted sub-bids on public building projects; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1838) of Domenick S. Pasciucco for legislation to regulate further the award of contracts for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, remodeling, repair or demolition of public buildings; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1840) of Robert H. Quinn that the awarding authorities be permitted to gain the benefit of the lowest responsible and eligible bids under the statutes regulating competitive bidding in the award of contracts for public building projects; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1841) of Robert H. Quinn for legislation to adjust the general contract price by the difference in the cost of the premiums for the performance and payment bonds required of general contractors on public building construction; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2032) of Domenick S. Pasciucco providing for security for payments to laborers, subcontractors, materialmen and others engaged in public construction; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2033) of John G. Clark for legislation to provide for security for payments to laborers, subcon-

tractors, materialmen and others engaged in public construction; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2034) of Robert H. Quinn and Domenick S. Pasciucco relative to sub-bids to be filed in connection with contracts for public building projects; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2035) of Robert H. Quinn and Domenick S. Pasciucco for legislation to require performance and payment bonds on public building construction; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2036) of Robert H. Quinn relative to the method of payment to subcontractors on contracts for construction, reconstruction, alteration, remodeling, repair or demolition of public buildings and works; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2221) of Edward W. Brooke and Sidney Q. Curtiss for legislation extending to certain public authorities the application of provisions of the law relating to public contracts; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2231) of the Subcontractors of Massachusetts for legislation relative to the submission of sub-bids by general bidders on public construction contracts; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2412) of George V. Brown, Jr., Jack H. Backman, Freyda P. Koplow, Michael S. Dukakis and others for an amendment of the law requiring contracts for construction and materials to be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2589) of Robert H. Quinn that utility companies and other companies erecting buildings on redevelopment projects be made subject to the law providing for competitive bidding on public construction; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2590) of John T. Lydon, Jr., that provision be made for the regulation of heating, piping, air conditioning and refrigeration and for the licensing of persons engaged in such trade; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2749) of the Massachusetts State Association of Master Plumbers, Inc., for legislation to include in bid specifications for public buildings all piping and equipment incidental to plumbing; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3084) of Vite J. Pigaga and Joseph D. Early for requiring building contractors to post a bond prior to the issuance of certain building permits, report the accompanying resolve (House, No. 3736).

For the committee,

JAMES R. NOLEN.

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE AWARDING OF CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND FOR MATERIALS BY COUNTIES, CITIES, TOWNS, AND DISTRICTS IN CASES OF EXTREME EMERGENCY AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission, to consist of the com-
2 mittee on state administration, and four persons to be appointed
3 by the governor, one of whom shall be a member of the Asso-
4 ciated General Contractors of Massachusetts, one a member of
5 the Associated Sub-contractors of Massachusetts, one the direc-
6 tor of the state bureau of building construction or his designee,
7 and one a licensed architect, is hereby established for the purpose
8 of making an investigation and study of the subject matter of
9 current house documents numbered 140, relative to the awarding
10 of contracts for construction and for materials by counties, cities,
11 towns and districts in cases of extreme emergency; 141, relative
12 to the awarding of contracts for repairs to public buildings by
13 counties, cities, towns and districts in cases of extreme emer-
14 gency; 856, requiring public bids for any leases made or licenses
15 granted in connection with the operation of any concession upon
16 property owned or controlled by the commonwealth, or any of
17 its departments, divisions, boards, commissions or agencies, and
18 authorities; 1836, clarifying the application of the public build-
19 ing bidding statute to the Massachusetts Port Authority; 1837,
20 clarifying the status of restricted sub-bids on public building
21 projects; 1838, further regulating the award of contracts for the
22 construction, reconstruction, alteration, remodeling, repair or
23 demolition of buildings by the commonwealth and governmental
24 units thereof; 1840, permitting awarding authorities to gain the
25 benefit of the lowest responsible and eligible bids under the
26 statutes regulating competitive bidding in the award of con-
27 tracts for public building projects; 1841, adjusting the general
28 contract price by the cost of the premiums for the performance
29 and payment bonds required of general contractors on public
30 building construction; 2032, providing for security for payments

31 to laborers, subcontractors, materialmen and others engaged in
32 public construction; 2033, providing for security for payments
33 to laborers, subcontractors, materialmen and others engaged in
34 public construction; 2034, relative to sub-bids to be filed in con-
35 nection with contracts for public building projects; 2035, re-
36 quiring performance and payment bonds on public building
37 construction; 2036 relative to the method of payment to sub-
38 contractors on contracts for construction, reconstruction, al-
39 teration, remodeling, repair or demolition of public buildings and
40 works; 2221, extending the application of certain provisions per-
41 taining to public contracts to public authorities; 2231, relative
42 to the submission of sub-bids by general bidders on construction
43 contracts; 2412, clarifying the provisions of an act to require
44 that all contracts for construction and for materials be awarded
45 to the lowest responsible and eligible bidder, and to assure full
46 competition in the taking of bids for such contracts; 2589, rela-
47 tive to construction by utility companies and to building con-
48 struction on redevelopment projects; 2590, providing for the
49 regulation of heating, piping, air conditioning, and refrigeration
50 trade and for the licensing of the members therein; 2749, rela-
51 tive to including all piping and equipment incidental to plumb-
52 ing in bid specifications; and 3084, requiring building contractors
53 to post a performance bond for two thousand dollars prior to the
54 issuance of a building permit.