

HOUSE No. 7407

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, August 30, 1973.

The committee on Social Welfare, to whom was referred the message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to reorganization and the establishment of the Department of Human Services (House, No. 6120), report recommending that the order (House, No. 7407) ought to be adopted [Representative DiLorenzo of Boston dissenting].

For the committee,

MICHAEL F. FLAHERTY.

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1 *Ordered*, That the Joint Committee on Social Welfare is
2 hereby authorized to sit during the recess of the General Court
3 for the purpose of making an investigation and study of the
4 subject matter of current house document numbered 6120,
5 creating a Department of Human Services.

6 Said Committee shall be provided with quarters in the
7 Statehouse or in proximity thereof, and it may hold hearings and
8 expend for expenses such sums as may be appropriated therefor.

9 The Committee shall request of the secretary of human
10 services that he make four professional staff persons available to
11 the committee on a full-time basis during the period of the study
12 to assist the committee in said study.

13 The Committee shall also request of the secretary of human
14 services that on or before the fourth Wednesday in December,
15 Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-three he file with the clerk of the
16 House of Representatives a revised petition for the reorganization
17 of human services and a supplementary report setting forth the
18 differences between the said petition and the current house
19 document numbered 6120.

20 Said Committee may report to the General Court from time to
21 time and shall report to the General Court the results of its
22 investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any,
23 together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
24 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk
25 of the House on or before the fourth Wednesday in April,
26 Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-four.