

By Mr. Burke, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 96) of John P. Burke that provision be made for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to certain industrial hazards and the operation of self-insurance under the workmen's compensation act. Commerce and Labor.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-three.

RESOLVE TO CREATE A SPECIAL COMMISSION TO STUDY CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL HAZARDS AND THE OPERATION OF SELF-INSURANCE UNDER THE WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION ACT.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission to consist of five mem-  
 2 bers of the Senate, one of whom shall be the Senate Chairman  
 3 of the Committee on Commerce and Labor, to be appointed  
 4 by the Senate President, who shall designate the Chairman,  
 5 six members of the House of Representatives, one of whom  
 6 shall be the House Chairman of the Committee on Commerce  
 7 and Labor, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, who  
 8 shall designate the vice-chairman, seven members to be ap-  
 9 pointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be recommended  
 10 by the Massachusetts State Labor Council AFL-CIO, one of  
 11 whom shall be recommended by the Massachusetts Building  
 12 Trade Council, one of whom shall be recommended by the  
 13 Teamsters Joint Council #10, and one of whom shall be recom-  
 14 mended by AFSCME, one of whom shall be recommended by  
 15 the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, and one of whom  
 16 shall be a representative of the insurance carriers, is hereby  
 17 established for the purpose of making an investigation and  
 18 study of the impact on workers of work related asbestos and  
 19 visual display terminals; further, to study and investigate self-  
 20 insurance as administered under the Workmen's Compensa-  
 21 tion Act, Chapter 152, and the feasibility of a State Fund.

22 The commission shall be provided with quarters in the State  
 23 House or elsewhere and shall hold public hearings as it deems  
 24 appropriate and may employ staff consultants, and other serv-  
 25 ices subject to appropriation.

26 The commission shall from time to time report to the gen-

27 eral court the results of its study and its recommendations,  
28 if any, together with drafts of legislation, provided however  
29 that a final report shall be filed with the Clerk of the Senate  
30 and the Clerk of the House not later than the thirty-first day  
31 of March, Nineteen hundred and eighty-four.