
By Mr. MacLean, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 119) of William Q. MacLean, Jr., that provision be made for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the workmen's compensation system in the Commonwealth. Commerce and Labor.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION SYSTEM IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission to consist of four mem-
2 bers of the Senate, one of whom shall be the Senate Chair-
3 man of the Committee on Commerce and Labor, to be ap-
4 pointed by the Senate President who shall name the Chair-
5 man, and five members of the House, one of whom shall be
6 the House Chairman on Commerce and Labor, to be appointed
7 by the Speaker of the House who shall name the Vice Chair-
8 man, is hereby established for the purpose of making an in-
9 vestigation and study of the Workers' Compensation Act, the
10 matter of self-insurance incorporating the consequences to the
11 injured worker of the bankruptcy of a selfinsurer, the feasi-
12 bility of a state fund, the equity, efficiency, expense and ad-
13 ministration of the Act, the benefit structure, and such other
14 related issues as it may deem appropriate.

15 The commission may exercise the information gathering
16 authority granted to the division of Industrial Accidents in
17 Section 63 of Chapter 152 of the General Laws. Furthermore,
18 the Division of Industrial Accidents shall provide such sta-
19 tistical information, both processed and unprocessed, as may
20 be required by the commission.

21 The commission may employ staff, consultants and other
22 services and may travel within and without the Common-
23 wealth, subject to appropriation.

24 The commission shall from time to time report to the Gen-
25 eral Court the results of its study and its recommendations,

26 if any, together with drafts of legislation, provided however,
27 that a final report shall be filed with the Clerk of the Senate
28 and the Clerk of the House not later than the thirtieth of
29 June, nineteen hundred and eighty-four.