

By Mr. Flood of Canton, petition of John H. Flood for legislation to abolish the Metropolitan District Commission. Housing and Urban Development.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety.

AN ACT ABOLISHING THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the contrary provisions of any
2 general or special law, the metropolitan district commission is
3 hereby abolished, and shall cease to exist on January 1, 1989.

1 SECTION 2. Chapters twenty-eight and ninety-two of the
2 General Laws, are hereby repealed as of January first, nineteen
3 hundred and eighty-nine.

1 SECTION 3. The department of public safety shall, upon the
2 effective date of this act, conduct a detailed analysis of the duties
3 and responsibilities of the metropolitan district commission
4 relating to police and public safety. The department of public
5 safety, shall submit to the house committee on ways and means
6 on or before January 1, 1989 or within one year of the effective
7 date of this act, whichever date is sooner, a plan to assimilate the
8 duties and responsibilities of the metropolitan district commis-
9 sion, as they relate to police and public safety, into the department
10 of public safety. Said plan shall have as its primary objective the
11 orderly assumption of said duties of the metropolitan district
12 commission utilizing employees currently in the employ of the
13 MDC. Said plan shall have as its secondary objective the
14 systematic reduction in staff through the resignation, retirement
15 or other means of attrition. All employees transferred to the

16 department of public safety or other departments of the common-
17 wealth or any of its political subdivisions, as a direct result of
18 implementation of this act, shall not suffer the loss of pay or
19 benefits.

1 SECTION 4. The department of environmental management
2 shall, upon the effective date of this act, conduct a detailed analysis
3 of the duties and responsibilities of the metropolitan district
4 commission as they relate to the commission's management of
5 parks and recreation. The department of environmental manage-
6 ment shall submit to the house committee on ways and means on
7 or before January 1, 1989 or within one year of the effective date
8 of this act, whichever date is sooner, a plan to assimilate the duties
9 and the responsibilities of the metropolitan district commission,
10 as they relate to the management of parks and recreation, into
11 the department of environmental management. Said plan shall
12 have as its primary objective the orderly assumption of said duties
13 of the metropolitan district commission, utilizing employees cur-
14 rently in the employ of the metropolitan district commission. Said
15 plan shall have as its secondary objective the systematic reduc-
16 tion in staff through resignation, retirement or other means of
17 attrition. All employees transferred to the department of environ-
18 mental management or other departments of the commonwealth
19 or any of its political subdivisions, as a direct result of implementa-
20 tion of this act, shall not suffer the loss of pay or benefits.