

**SENATE . . . . . No. 166**

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By Mr. Locke, petition (accompanied by order, Senate, No. 166) of David H. Locke, Edward P. Kirby, Brian P. Lees, Charles E. Shannon, Christopher M. Lane, Matthew J. Amorello and Nancy Achin Sullivan for the adoption providing of an order for an investigation and study by the committee on Criminal Justice relative to imposing the death penalty for certain violations of the controlled substances act. Criminal Justice.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Two.

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1     *Ordered*, That the committee on Criminal Justice be requested  
2 to make an investigation and study of Massachusetts General  
3 Laws Chapter 94C — The Controlled Substances Act — and  
4 such other laws and materials as may be relevant for the purpose  
5 of defining a special class of drug trafficker which will include  
6 those drug importers, manufacturers and dealers who can be said  
7 to control major multi-million dollar drug organizations, and  
8 further, to draft legislation defining this activity as a crime  
9 punishable by the imposition of the death penalty statute for this  
10 category of crime which will meet the standards of the courts.

11     Said committee shall report to the Senate the results of its  
12 investigation and study, and its recommendations for legislation  
13 to accomplish this purpose, by filing the same with the Clerk of  
14 the Senate no later than the 1st Wednesday of August 1992.

