

HOUSE No. 1565

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 21, 1938.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Resolve reviving and continuing the special commission appointed to investigate and study the whole matter of the mentally diseased in their relation to the Commonwealth, including all phases of the work of the Department of Mental Diseases (House, No. 694), report that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor the accompanying resolve (House, No. 1565).

For the committee,

ALBERT F. BIGELOW.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Eight.

RESOLVE REVIVING AND CONTINUING THE SPECIAL COMMISSION APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE AND STUDY THE WHOLE MATTER OF THE MENTALLY DISEASED IN THEIR RELATION TO THE COMMONWEALTH, INCLUDING ALL PHASES OF THE WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL DISEASES.

1 *Resolved*, That the unpaid special commission, es-
2 tablished by chapter seven of the resolves of nineteen
3 hundred and thirty-seven, is hereby revived and con-
4 tinued for the purpose of continuing its investigation
5 and study of the whole matter of the mentally dis-
6 eased in their relation to the commonwealth, including
7 all phases of the work of the department of mental
8 diseases. Said commission shall hold hearings, may
9 require of the department of mental diseases and such
10 other departments and such commissions or officers of
11 the commonwealth as have or can obtain information
12 in relation to the subject matter of this resolve such
13 assistance as may be helpful in the course of its in-
14 vestigation and study, and may require by summons
15 the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the
16 production of such books and papers as relate to the
17 matter under investigation. Said commission may
18 travel within and outside the commonwealth, and it
19 shall make a supplementary report to the general
20 court of the results of its investigation and study here-

21 under and its recommendations, if any, together with
22 drafts of legislation necessary to carry said recom-
23 mendations into effect, by filing the same with the
24 clerk of the house of representatives on or before the
25 first Wednesday of December in the current year.
26 For the purposes of this resolve, said commission may
27 expend such sums as may hereafter be appropriated
28 therefor, in addition to the unexpended balance of
29 the amount appropriated by item thirty-six b of chap-
30 ter four hundred and thirty-four of the acts of nineteen
31 hundred and thirty-seven, and said balance is hereby
32 made available for payment of expenses incurred by
33 said commission.

