

Resolve accompanying the petition of Thomas J. Giblin for legislation to provide for an investigation of the white slave traffic and like evils. Social Welfare. January 1.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen.

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### RESOLVE

To provide for an Investigation of the White Slave Traffic, so-called.

1 *Resolved*, That the governor, with the advice and  
2 consent of the council, shall appoint a commission of  
3 five persons, one of whom shall be designated as chair-  
4 man, to investigate the white slave traffic, so-called,  
5 and to determine, so far as is possible, by what means  
6 and to what extent women and girls are induced or com-  
7 pelled by others to lead an immoral life, or are brought  
8 into this commonwealth or from place to place for that  
9 purpose. The commission shall endeavor to devise a  
10 plan for preventing such evils as it finds to exist, and  
11 shall report to the general court not later than January  
12 tenth, in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen. The  
13 commission may give public hearings if it deems them  
14 necessary, and shall have authority to administer oaths,  
15 to require the attendance of witnesses and the produc-  
16 tion of books and documents. The commission shall  
17 serve without compensation, but shall be allowed from  
18 the treasury of the commonwealth such sums for its  
19 necessary expenses as may be approved by the governor  
20 and council.

