

# HOUSE . . . . No. 843

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By Mr. Sirois of Lawrence, petition of Edward D. Sirois for appointment of a special commission (including members of the General Court) to study and revise the militia laws. Military Affairs and Public Safety.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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RESOLVE ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL COMMISSION TO STUDY AND REVISE THE MILITIA LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 *Resolved*, That a special unpaid commission, to  
2 consist of one member of the senate to be designated  
3 by the president thereof, three members of the house  
4 of representatives to be designated by the speaker  
5 thereof, two persons to be appointed by the governor,  
6 the adjutant general, the major general commanding  
7 the twenty-sixth division, Massachusetts national  
8 guard and the judge advocate, is hereby established  
9 to make a survey and study of the militia laws of the  
10 commonwealth with a view to the revision and codifica-  
11 tion of said laws and to the recommending of such  
12 changes therein and additions thereto as may appear  
13 necessary or desirable. Said commission shall be  
14 provided with quarters in the state house or elsewhere,  
15 may hold hearings and shall avail itself of the services  
16 of the regular clerical staff and other facilities of the  
17 office of the adjutant general for such clerical and  
18 other assistance as it may need in the course of its

19 survey and study. Said commission shall report to  
20 the general court the results of its survey and study  
21 hereunder and its recommendations, if any, together  
22 with drafts of legislation necessary to carry said  
23 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with  
24 the clerk of the house of representatives on or before  
25 April first in the current year.