

HOUSE No. 3707

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE,
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 33, JUNE 26, 1964.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

Pursuant to G. L. c. 7, § 4, I transmit for your consideration the attached proposed changes in St. 1960, c. 635.

St. 1960, c. 635 apparently contemplated that the work of the Government Center Commission would be completed within five years, for Section 13 made the act inoperative and dissolved the Commission upon expiration of the five-year terms of its members, or upon completion of the work of the Commission, whichever event first occurred.

However, due in large measure to unanticipated delays at the start, it is now clear that the Commission's work will not be complete by September, 1965, the end of the five-year terms of the Commission members; indeed, the Commission will shortly be entering into contracts extending beyond that date. In the opinion of counsel for the Commission, after consultation with the Attorney General's office, serious doubt exists as to the validity of such contracts, if the life of the Commission is not now extended.

Accordingly, the attached proposed legislation provides that the Commission shall be dissolved September 1, 1970, or upon completion of its duties, whichever shall first occur, and for the necessary appointments to the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. WALDRON,
Commissioner of Administration.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Four.

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE LIFE OF THE GOVERNMENT CENTER 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. Section 1 of chapter 635 of the acts of 1960 is
2 hereby amended by inserting in line 6, after the word "each",
3 the following: — "Upon the expiration of the term of each mem-
4 ber his successor shall be appointed, in like manner, for a term
5 of five years or until the dissolution of the commission, which-
6 ever shall first occur".

1 SECTION 2. Section 13 of said chapter 635 is hereby amended
2 by striking out in lines 1 and 2 thereof the words "Upon the
3 expiration of the term for which the members of the commis-
4 sion were appointed" and inserting in place thereof the follow-
5 ing: — "On September first, nineteen hundred and seventy".