

By Mr. Williams of Andover (by request), petition of Karl Haartz for requiring the House of Representatives to memorialize the Attorney General of the United States relative to a certain injunction in relation to a constitutional amendment providing for executive reorganization of state departments. Constitutional Law.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT REQUIRING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO MEMORIALIZE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES RELATIVE TO A CERTAIN INJUNCTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 The house of representatives, with or without the con-
2 currance of the senate, shall ask the Attorney General of the
3 United States to go before the Supreme Court of the United
4 States to ask that it issue a permanent injunction upon the
5 executive branch of the government of the commonwealth of
6 Massachusetts, all its agencies and upon all its implied and
7 constructive powers, to prevent it from using any part or all
8 of the powers granted to it at the expense of the legislative
9 branch and by Question Two on the November eighth,
10 nineteen hundred and sixty-six election ballot, and which was
11 approved by a majority of those citizens voting that day.

12 The ground for relief sought is that the method of action
13 approved for use by the executive branch, by acceptance of
14 Question Two, so obscures the record of responsibility of the
15 elected members of the general court that it abridges and
16 makes impotent an essential of the republican form of
17 government guaranteed to each state by section four of
18 Article Four of the Federal Constitution.

