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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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MEMORANDUM OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH PURSUANT TO GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 3, SECTION 7, WITH RESPECT TO THE PETITION OF DUANE T. SARGISSON FOR LEGISLATION TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF ANNUAL INCOME ALLOWABLE FOR PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST BY THE TRUSTEES OF A SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST CHURCH.

JUNE 12, 1967.

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:*

DEAR SIR:—The petition of the Trustees of Wesley Methodist Church of Worcester for increasing the amount of annual income allowable for property, held in trust by Trustees of a Society of the Methodist Church does not come within the purview of Section 7 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws. Special legislation is not required to effect the desired result. A memorandum from this office is, therefore, not necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

KEVIN H. WHITE,  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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By Mr. Sargisson of Worcester, petition of the Trustees of Wesley Methodist Church of Worcester for increasing the amount of annual income allowable for property held in trust by Trustees of a Society of the Methodist Church. Mercantile Affairs.

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

AN ACT INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ANNUAL INCOME ALLOWABLE FOR PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST BY TRUSTEES OF A SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST CHURCH.

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

1 Chapter 67 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 striking out section 41, as appearing in the Tercentenary  
3 Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following sec-  
4 tion:—

5 *Section 41.* Such trustees may receive, hold and manage  
6 all the real and personal property belonging to such society,  
7 may sell and convey the same, and may hold in trust gifts,  
8 grants, bequests or devices to such society for the support of  
9 public worship and for other religious purposes; but the  
10 annual income of such trust property, exclusive of the meet-  
11 ing house, shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars.