

HOUSE No. 2063

By Mr. Sears of Boston, petition of John W. Sears that the Governor's public safety committee be directed to study review boards in the state of California and elsewhere with a view to placing in one centralized department the sentencing and rehabilitation of prisoners. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE AUTHORIZING A STUDY OF REVIEW BOARDS IN THE PENAL SYSTEM.

1 *Resolved*, That the governor's public safety committee is
2 hereby authorized and directed to investigate and study the
3 structure of review boards in California and elsewhere, to
4 enable the commonwealth to assemble data on the function-
5 ing of modern sentencing and rehabilitation systems and to
6 determine whether Massachusetts should abandon its tradi-
7 tional procedures and place responsibility from arrest to
8 rehabilitation, in one centralized department.

9 Said committee is directed to report its findings, and legis-
10 lation, if any, to the general court by filing the same with
11 the clerk of the senate on or before the first Wednesday in
12 December, nineteen hundred and sixty-eight.

