
By Mr. Liederman of Malden, petition of Robert H. Quinn (Attorney General) and David S. Liederman for legislation to regulate further investigations of complaints under the fair housing law. Urban Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING INVESTIGATIONS OF FAIR HOUSING COMPLAINTS.

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 5 of chapter 151B of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out the eleventh sentence thereof, as in-
3 serted by chapter 727 of the acts of 1968, and inserting in place
4 thereof the following sentence:— If an investigating commis-
5 sioner determines that probable cause exists to credit the allega-
6 tions of a complainant that a respondent has refused to sell,
7 rent or lease, or to negotiate in the sale, rental, or leasing of,
8 housing accommodations or commercial space and if he deter-
9 mines that such respondent is a nonresident of the common-
10 wealth and cannot be personally served with process in the
11 commonwealth, such investigating commissioner may file a
12 petition in equity in the nature of an in rem proceeding seeking
13 appropriate injunctive relief against such property with respect
14 to which a complaint has been made, including orders or decrees
15 restraining and enjoining any sale, rental, lease, or other dis-
16 position of such property which would render it unavailable to
17 the complainant pending the final determination of proceedings
18 under this chapter.

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