

By Mr. Cawley, a petition of Robert L. Cawley that provision be made for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to existing federal funds and the proposed federal block grants. Federal Financial Assistance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION (INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE) RELATIVE TO EXISTING FEDERAL FUNDS AND THE PROPOSED FEDERAL BLOCK GRANTS.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission, to consist of the joint
2 legislative committee on federal financial assistance; the chair-
3 men of the committee on ways and means of the senate or
4 his designee; the chairman of the committee on ways and
5 means of the house of representatives or his designee, the
6 commissioner of administration or his designee, one person
7 to be appointed by the secretary of the commonwealth, and
8 two persons to be appointed by the governor, is hereby es-
9 tablished for the purpose of making an investigation and
10 study during the current session of the flow of federal grants
11 and subventions including so-called "block grants" to the
12 Commonwealth of Massachusetts and its political subdivisions
13 and the impact of such grants and subventions on the economy
14 of the commonwealth and its political subdivisions. Said
15 commission shall consider the feasibility of amending Chap-
16 ter 505 of the Acts of 1968 to include federal grants to cities
17 and towns and other political subdivisions; shall compile a
18 catalog of current fiscal grants to political agencies of the
19 commonwealth and its subdivisions, and shall devise appropri-
20 ate guidelines for the processing of future federal grants of
21 any nature including their receipt and disbursement by the
22 commonwealth.

23 Said commission shall report to the general court the results
24 of its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if
25 any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry
26 its recommendations into effect, by filing same with the clerk
27 of the house of representatives no later than the first Wed-
28 nesday of June nineteen hundred and seventy.