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By Mr. Parker, a petition of John F. Parker for the adoption of resolutions by the General Court memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact legislation providing for the sharing of a fixed percentage of the revenue from the individual federal income tax with state governments. Federal Financial Assistance.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two.

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RESOLUTIONS URGING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENACT LEGISLATION PROVIDING FOR THE SHARING OF A FIXED PERCENTAGE OF THE REVENUES FROM THE INDIVIDUAL FEDERAL INCOME TAX WITH STATE GOVERNMENTS.

*Whereas*, The states have inadequate revenue sources to finance the burdens imposed upon them by mounting welfare, education and health costs, and

*Whereas*, The federal government has greater ability to impose taxes without the problem of competing with other jurisdictions, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the General Court of Massachusetts hereby respectfully urges the Congress of the United States to enact legislation providing for the sharing of a fixed percentage of the revenues from the individual federal income tax with state governments, and be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to each member of the Congress from this state and to the presiding officer of each branch of Congress.

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The Government's Policy on National Emergencies

In the event of a national emergency, the Government may take such actions as it deems necessary to protect the health and safety of the people.

Such actions may include the suspension of the writ of *habeas corpus*, the seizure of property, and the restriction of travel. The Government may also take such actions as it deems necessary to protect the health and safety of the people.

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