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By Mr. Parker, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 512) of John F. Parker and David H. Locke that provision be made for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the preservation and strengthening of the family. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

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*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE PRESERVATION AND STRENGTHENING OF THE FAMILY.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission to consist of three mem-  
2 bers of the senate, five members of the house of representa-  
3 tives, and three persons to be appointed by the governor, is  
4 hereby established for the purpose of making an investigation  
5 and study relative to the review and reformulation of state  
6 laws with a view to the preservation and strengthening of the  
7 institution of the family.

8 Said commission may involve in advisory roles such persons,  
9 organizations, or public and private institutions as it may de-  
10 termine as appropriate.

11 Said commission may travel without the commonwealth.

12 Said commission may call upon officials of the common-  
13 wealth or its various subdivisions, and may also call upon of-  
14 ficials of the federal government and its various agencies and  
15 departments for such information as it may desire in the course  
16 of its investigation and study. Said commission may seek, ac-  
17 cept and expend any grants or gifts of money, professional  
18 services, consultant services, clerical and other services and  
19 supplies from the federal government or any other private or  
20 public source in the course of its investigation and study.

