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SENATE No. 1287

By Mr. Hall, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1287) of Robert A. Hall, James T. Harrington and Stanley J. Zarod for legislation to provide for periodic reports by the Commissioner of Administration estimating the future financial condition of the Commonwealth. State Administration.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PERIODIC REPORTS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF ADMINISTRATION ESTIMATING THE FUTURE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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 4 of chapter 7 of the General Laws is hereby
- 2 amended by adding the following paragraph: —
- 3 The commissioner of administration shall keep totals of the
- 4 costs of all acts passed during each legislative session, the
- 5 costs of which are estimated to exceed one hundred thousand
- 6 dollars and shall compare the effect on the state budget of
- 7 said estimates with estimated revenues for the same and next
- 8 two succeeding fiscal years. Said estimates shall be reported
- 9 on the first day of each month to the clerk of the senate and
- 10 the clerk of the house of representatives and shall be printed
- 11 as a legislative document by the clerk of the senate. A sum-
- 12 mary figure indicating the total of such estimated revenue
- 13 compared with estimated costs shall be printed in the first
- 14 daily calendar in each branch issued after such reports are
- 15 filed.

