

By Mr. Wetherbee of Pepperell, petition of Bruce E. Wetherbee relative to authorizing the committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of certain House documents regulating the compensation and benefits of public employees. Public Service.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Four.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service be authorized to sit during the recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of the subject matter of 1983 House Documents numbered 1765 for legislation to include State, public or mental health police in the law relative to leave with pay for certain incapacitated police officers and firefighters; 2049 for legislation to prohibit injury leave for police officers and firefighters if they are capable of performing certain duties on a part-time basis; 2967 for legislation to prohibit state and county employees from receiving more than fifty-two weeks of disability compensation annually; 2968 for legislation to prohibit municipal employees from receiving more than fifty-two weeks of disability compensation annually; 3138 relative to further regulating compensation for police officers and firefighters injured in the line of duty; 3899 for legislation to provide light duty for persons partially disabled by accidents; 3901 for legislation to allow incapacitated police officers and firefighters to perform specified types of light, limited or restricted duty; 5217 for legislation to provide medical and hospital care for police officers and firefighters injured in the performance of duty; 5218 relative to reimbursement to police officers of the Metropolitan District Commission who are injured in the line of duty; 5425 for legislation to provide for the retirement of incapacitated police officers and firefighters; 5766 for legislation to limit the amount of compensation paid to certain municipal employees for injury leave.

Said Committee shall be provided with quarters in the State House or elsewhere, may hold hearings, may travel within the Commonwealth, and may expend for clerical and other services and expenses such sums as may be appropriated therefor. Said Committee shall

report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives on or before the last Wednesday of January, nineteen hundred and eighty-five.