

By Mr. McGlynn of Medford, petition of Michael J. McGlynn for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the laws of the Commonwealth concerning child abuse. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE RELATIVE TO A SPECIAL INVESTIGATION OF THE LAWS RELATING TO CHILD ABUSE IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

1 *Resolved*, A special commission to consist of three members of
2 the senate, five members of the house of representatives, the secre-
3 tary of human services, the commissioner of the department of
4 social services, the director of the office for children and eleven
5 persons to be appointed by the governor, two of whom shall be
6 district attorneys, one of whom shall be a justice of the juvenile
7 court department of the trial court, one of whom shall be a member
8 of the Massachusetts Police Chiefs Association, one of whom shall
9 be a protective social service worker in the department of social
10 services who shall also be a member of the collective bargaining
11 unit of said department, two of whom shall be pediatricians from
12 urban hospitals, one of whom shall be a member of a private
13 agency which provides protective services to children, and one of
14 whom shall be selected from each of the following organizations:
15 the Massachusetts Advocacy Center, the Massachusetts Commit-
16 tee on Children and Youth, and Parents Anonymous is hereby
17 established for the purpose of making an investigation and study
18 relative to the causes of violence against children and ways to
19 reduce the incidence thereof.

20 Said commission shall report to the general court the results of
21 its investigation and study and its recommendations, together with
22 drafts of legislation, if any, necessary to carry its recommendations
23 into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the house of
24 representatives on or before December first, nineteen hundred and
25 eighty-six.

