

By Mrs. Canavan of Needham, petition of Ellen M. Canavan for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the law of negligence in the Commonwealth. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE LAW OF NEGLIGENCE IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission to consist of two mem-
2 bers of the senate, three members of the house of representatives
3 and eight members to be appointed by the governor, one of whom
4 shall be a present or former dean of a law school, one of whom
5 shall be a present or former justice of the superior court division
6 of the trial court, one of whom shall be a representative of the
7 liability insurance industry, one of whom shall be a representative
8 of the construction industry, one of whom shall be a physician
9 licensed and practicing in the commonwealth, one of whom shall
10 be a representative of the liquor industry, one of whom shall be
11 an elected public official in an executive position and one of whom
12 shall be a representative of the real estate proprietorship industry
13 is hereby established for the purpose of making an investigation
14 and study of all aspects of the law of negligence in the
15 commonwealth including but not limited to liability insurance, the
16 settlement and trial of negligence actions, with the goal of
17 establishing a more equitable and efficient system. Said
18 commission shall report to the house of representatives the results
19 of its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any,
20 together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry its recom-
21 mendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the
22 house of representatives on or before the first Wednesday in
23 December, nineteen hundred and eighty-six.

