

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4459

By Mr. Cronin of Andover (by request), petition of John Farrell for legislation to amend the law providing a procedure for filling vacancies in town offices. Local Affairs.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine.

### AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROCEDURE TO FILL A VACANCY OF A TOWN OFFICER.

*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 10 of chapter 41 of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by striking out the fourth paragraph and inserting  
3 in place thereof the following paragraph:—

4 If there is a failure to elect or a vacancy occurs in the office  
5 of selectman, the remaining selectmen or selectman may call  
6 a special election to fill the vacancy and shall call such elec-  
7 tion upon the request in writing of one thousand registered  
8 voters of the town, or twenty percent of the total number  
9 of registered voters of the town, whichever number is the  
10 smaller; provided, that such request is filed not less than  
11 one hundred days prior to the date of the next annual elec-  
12 tion.

The Commission of Investigation

into the Cause of the Floods in the State

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE COMMISSION OF INVESTIGATION INTO THE CAUSE OF THE FLOODS IN THE STATE

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of New York in session on the 15th day of August, 1914, that

1. Section 10 of chapter 41 of the General Laws in relation to the Commission of Investigation into the Cause of the Floods in the State be and the same be amended to read as follows:
2. It shall be the duty of the Commission to investigate the cause of the floods in the State and to report thereon to the Governor and the Legislature.
3. The Commission shall have the right to call upon any person who may have information in relation to the cause of the floods in the State and to require such person to produce any books, papers, documents or other records or information in his possession or control which may be of use to the Commission.
4. The Commission shall have the right to examine and take copies of any books, papers, documents or other records or information in the possession or control of any person who may be called upon by the Commission.
5. The Commission shall have the right to employ such clerical and other personnel as it may deem necessary and proper.
6. The Commission shall have the right to hold public hearings and to receive evidence in relation to the cause of the floods in the State.
7. The Commission shall have the right to make such recommendations as it may deem proper to the Governor and the Legislature.
8. The Commission shall have the right to make such reports as it may deem proper to the Governor and the Legislature.
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