

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 26, 1997.

The committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 727) of Marie J. Parente, Mary Jeanette Murray, Gloria L. Fox and Alvin E. Thompson for legislation to establish standards for admission of testimony of children, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 733) of Vincent A. Pedone that the Department of Youth Services be required to transfer certain juvenile offenders convicted of violent crimes to the Department of Correction upon said juveniles attaining the age of twenty-one, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2151) of Ellen Story and Benjamin Swan relative to tape recordings of conversations with police officers, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2890) of Byron Rushing and other members of the General Court relative to the conviction of persons under the controlled substances law, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3080) of Thomas P. Kennedy relative to criminal record information of candidates for public office, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3086) of David M. Peters, other members of the House and another relative to authorizing the courts of the Commonwealth to establish a system of juvenile restitution, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3479) of Donna F. Cuomo, Mary Jeanette Murray and Susan W. Pope for legislation to further regulate criminal offender record information involving interstate compacts, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3852) of James H. Fagan relative to the age for prosecution of juveniles, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 4631) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

JOHN H. ROGERS.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Seven.

1 *Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary be authorized to
2 make an investigation and study of House documents numbered
3 727, 733, 2151, 2890, 3080, 3086, 3479 and 3852, relative to wit-
4 ness competency, juvenile offenders, tape recordings, controlled
5 substances, criminal offender record information and restitution.

6 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of
7 its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any,
8 together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such recom-
9 mendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the
10 House on or before the last Wednesday in December nineteen
11 hundred and ninety-eight.