
By Mr. DesRoches of New Bedford, petition of Theophile J. DesRoches, Frank F. Lemos, Leo J. Normandin and George G. Mendonca for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the methods of taxation of real estate within the Commonwealth. Taxation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE METHODS OF TAXATION OF REAL ESTATE WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 *Resolved*, That an unpaid special commission, to consist of
2 three members of the senate to be designated by the president
3 thereof, five members of the house of representatives to be
4 designated by the speaker thereof, two persons to be appointed
5 by the governor, and the commissioner of corporations and tax-
6 ation or his designee, is hereby established for the purpose of
7 making an investigation and study relative to the methods of
8 taxation of real estate within the commonwealth. Said com-
9 mission shall consider the necessity and feasibility of relieving
10 the home owner of the impact of increased assessments and
11 methods of accomplishing the same. Said commission shall be
12 provided with quarters in the state house or elsewhere, may
13 hold hearings, may require by summons the attendance and
14 testimony of witnesses and the production of books and papers,
15 may travel within the commonwealth, and may expend for legal,
16 clerical and other assistance such sums as may be appropriated
17 therefor. Said commission shall report to the general court the
18 results of its investigation and study, and its recommendations,
19 if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry its
20 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk
21 of the house of representatives on or before May first, nineteen
22 hundred and sixty-two.

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