

By Mr. Thompson of Cambridge, petition of Alvin E. Thompson and another relative to providing for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) of collective bargaining and dispute resolutions for municipal police officers and fire fighters. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND DISPUTE RESOLUTIONS FOR MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS AND FIRE FIGHTERS.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission, to consist of three mem-
2 bers of the senate, one of whom shall be the senate chairman of
3 the joint committee on public service and the others shall be
4 appointed by the senate president, six members of the house of
5 representatives, the first named member shall be the house
6 chairman of the joint committee on public service who shall serve
7 as chairman, and the other five shall be appointed by the speaker
8 of the house of representatives, the governor or his designee, the
9 chairman of the Massachusetts Joint Labor-Management
10 Committee, four persons to be appointed by the Governor, one of
11 whom shall be a firefighter representing the Professional
12 Firefighters of Massachusetts from nominations submitted to the
13 Governor from the Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts, one
14 of whom shall be a police officer representing the International
15 Brotherhood of Police Officers NAGE from nominations sub-
16 mitted to the Governor from the International Brotherhood of
17 Police Officers NAGE, one of whom shall be a representative of
18 the Massachusetts Municipal Association from nominations sub-
19 mitted to the Governor from the Massachusetts Municipal
20 Association, and one of whom shall be a management member of
21 the Massachusetts Joint Labor-Management Committee, is hereby
22 established for the purpose of making an investigation and study
23 of collective bargaining and dispute resolutions for municipal

24 police officers and firefighters, to examine procedures by which
25 collective bargaining negotiations which have remained unre-
26 solved for an unreasonable period of time between said municipal
27 police officers and firefighters and the cities and towns of the
28 commonwealth may be resolved, and to review any other matters
29 as said commission determines appropriate.

30 Said commission shall report to the General Court the results of
31 its study and its recommendations, together with drafts of legisla-
32 tion necessary to carry its recommendations into effect by filing
33 the same with the clerk of the House of Representatives on or
34 before the first of December, nineteen hundred and ninety-five.