

SENATE No. 556

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, March 9, 1950.

The committee on Highways and Motor Vehicles, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 233) of Edward W. Staves that provision be made for a study and investigation relative to the enforceability of the provisions of law restricting the weights and dimensions of vehicles upon public ways; and the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 2181) of Charles Gibbons, Malcolm S. White, Frank S. Giles, Jr., and William Longworth for appointment of a special commission (including members of the General Court) to investigate the laws and regulations governing the operation, safety, overloading, speeding, inspection and rates of commercial motor vehicles, report the accompanying Resolve (Senate, No. 556).

For the committee,

EDWARD W. STAVES.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A STUDY AND INVESTIGATION
RELATIVE TO THE ENFORCEABILITY OF THE PROVISIONS
OF LAW RESTRICTING THE WEIGHTS, DIMENSIONS AND
SPEED OF VEHICLES ON PUBLIC WAYS.

1 *Resolved*, That the registrar of motor vehicles is
2 hereby authorized and directed to make a study and
3 investigation relative to the enforceability of the pro-
4 visions of law restricting the weights, dimensions and
5 speed of vehicles on public ways, engaged in hauling
6 for hire, or otherwise, including those in work under
7 state contract.

8 The registrar shall also make recommendations to
9 properly control the present over-registration in the
10 carrying capacity of such vehicles.

11 The registrar in the course of his investigation and
12 study hereunder shall consider particularly the ad-
13 visability of providing scales for the weighing of ve-
14 hicles suspected of violating the provisions of section
15 thirty of chapter eighty-five of the General Laws, of
16 locating such scales on or near heavily traveled routes,
17 and of assigning inspectors thereto. He shall report
18 to the general court the result of his study and in-
19 vestigation, and his recommendations, together with
20 drafts of legislation necessary to carry his recom-
21 mendations into effect, by filing the same with the
22 clerk of the senate on or before the twenty-eighth day
23 of April in the year nineteen hundred and fifty.