

By Ms. Graham of Cambridge, petition of Saundra Graham and other members of the General Court that the Department of Public Health be directed to maintain a comprehensive sickle cell center in the city of Boston. Health Care.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Eight.

AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO MAINTAIN THE COMPREHENSIVE SICKLE CELL CENTER IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1986
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 67H,
3 the following section: —

4 Section 67I. The Department of Public Health is hereby
5 authorized and directed to maintain a program, from sums
6 appropriated by the general court or the federal government
7 through the Maternal and Child Health block grant program for
8 the department, entitled the Comprehensive Sickle Cell Center in
9 the City of Boston for the purposes of statewide testing, education,
10 and counseling of individuals at risk for sickle cell trait, sickle cell
11 disease, other hemoglobinopathies and certain forms of
12 thalassemia. Newborns will be tested for early diagnosis of sickle
13 cell disease so that penicillin can be instituted as soon as possible
14 to prevent mortality and diminish morbidity of this genetic disease.

15 The Department shall make an annual report to the General
16 Court, specifically to the Senate and House Committees on Ways
17 and Means and the Joint Committee on Federal Financial
18 Assistance, on the status and effectiveness of the program set forth
19 in this section. Said report shall include a statistical compilation
20 of the extent of the disease, an evaluation of the program, and
21 a detailed itemization as to the amounts spent for each of the
22 components of the said program.

The Commission on the Administration of the Government of the District of Columbia, Report to the President and the Senate, 1888.

The Administration of the Government

CHAPTER I. THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

1. The District of Columbia is a unique political entity, created by the Constitution and the laws of the United States.

2. It is a territory under the direct control of the Federal Government, and its administration is a matter of national concern.

3. The Commission has been organized to study the present administration and to propose reforms.

4. The Commission is composed of members from both Houses of Congress and the Executive Branch.

5. The Commission's report will be submitted to the President and the Senate for their consideration.

6. The Commission believes that the present administration is inefficient and wasteful.

7. It proposes a number of reforms, including the reorganization of the executive branch.

8. The Commission also proposes the creation of a new office, the District Administrator.

9. The Commission believes that these reforms are essential for the efficient administration of the District.

10. The Commission's report is intended to serve as a guide for the future administration of the District.