

By Mr. Locke, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 679) of David H. Locke for legislation to cap the inmate population at correctional institutions in the towns of Norfolk and Walpole and prohibiting the establishment of new facilities in said town. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT CAPPING THE INMATE POPULATION AT CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE TOWNS OF NORFOLK AND WALPOLE AND PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW FACILITIES IN SAID TOWNS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law
2 to the contrary the number of inmates at the Massachusetts
3 Correctional Institutions in the towns of Norfolk and Walpole,
4 including inmates at the Bay State Correctional Center, shall not
5 exceed the prisoner population on January 1, 1989 at any time.

1 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law,
2 no correctional or other facility shall be established or maintained
3 in the towns of Norfolk and Walpole other than the existing
4 Massachusetts Correctional Institutions at Norfolk and Walpole
5 (Cedar Junction) and the Bay State Correctional Institution.

to the fact that a certain proportion of the total population of the country is engaged in agriculture and the amount of land available for agriculture is limited. It is therefore necessary to consider the possibility of increasing the productivity of the land by means of irrigation and other methods.

The Development of Agriculture

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