

HOUSE No. 5559

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 24, 1978.

The committee on State Administration, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 630) of Max Volterra, Paul Guzzi (Secretary of the Commonwealth) and Alan D. Sisitsky for legislation to amend the freedom of information act, so called, report recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 5559) ought to pass.

For the committee,

CHARLES J. BUFFONE.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT AMENDING THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

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

1 Subsection (a) of section 10 of chapter 66 of the General Laws, as
2 inserted by section 3 of said chapter 1050 of the Acts of 1973, is
3 hereby amended by striking the first sentence and inserting in place
4 thereof the following sentence: — Every person having custody of
5 any public record, as defined in clause twenty-sixth of section
6 seven of chapter four, shall at reasonable times and without
7 unreasonable delay, permit it, or any segregable portion of a
8 record which ought to be public, to be inspected and examined by
9 any person, under his supervision, and shall furnish one copy
10 thereof upon payment of a reasonable fee.