

HOUSE No. 3291

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 29, 1966.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Bill authorizing the establishment of an inter-agency council on mental retardation (House, No. 468) report recommending that the same be amended by the substitution of the accompanying bill (House, No. 3291).

For the committee,

JOHN F. DONOVAN, JR.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Six.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTER-AGENCY COUNCIL ON MENTAL RETARDATION.

*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 19 of the General Laws is hereby amended by in-
2 serting after section 6 the following section:—
3 *Section 6A.* There is hereby established within the depart-
4 ment but not subject to its control an inter-agency council on
5 mental retardation to consist of the commissioners of mental
6 health, public health, education, correction, rehabilitation, or
7 their designees, and the director of employment security or his
8 designee. The commissioner of mental health or his designee
9 shall serve as chairman. The council shall meet from time to
10 time at such places as may be agreed upon by a majority of the
11 members of the council and shall extend their efforts towards
12 correlating the plans and activities of the several interested
13 agencies concerning the welfare of the mentally retarded. The
14 council shall have authority to recommend legislation to the
15 governor and the general court.