

By Mr. Magnani of Framingham, petition of David P. Magnani and John W. Olver for legislation to establish an infrastructure commission for the purpose of conducting continuing studies of the infrastructure of the Commonwealth. State Administration.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

**AN ACT TO PROTECT THE FUTURE ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF THE COMMONWEALTH.**

*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. Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by adding the following two sections: —

3 Section 200. There shall be an infrastructure commission,  
4 within the executive office of manpower affairs but not subject  
5 to its jurisdiction, consisting of the secretary of energy, secretary  
6 of labor, secretary of manpower affairs, secretary of communities  
7 and development, secretary of transportation and construction,  
8 chairman of the commissioners of public utilities, chairman of the  
9 Massachusetts Port Authority, chairman of the board of directors  
10 of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority and three  
11 members to be appointed by the governor who shall be  
12 representatives of the business and professional community of the  
13 commonwealth. Of the appointive members, their initial  
14 appointments shall be for terms of one year, two years and three  
15 years.

16 Upon the expiration of the term of an appointive member, his  
17 successor shall be appointed in the manner aforesaid for a term  
18 of three years. The commission shall elect annually by and from  
19 its members a chairman who shall serve until his successor is  
20 elected and qualified. The members of the commission shall  
21 receive no compensation for their services.

22 Section 201. The infrastructure commission shall conduct  
23 continuing studies and investigation and research of the state's

24 infrastructure, including but not limited to, its maintenance and  
25 revitalization over the next fifty years and shall develop long range  
26 plans therefor and shall co-operate with all public and private  
27 agencies responsible for any or all of such infrastructure. The  
28 commission shall advise and make recommendations to such  
29 agencies in matters affecting such infrastructure. The commission  
30 shall report triannually to the general court its activities,  
31 accomplishments, plans and recommendations, if any, for  
32 legislation necessary to carry such recommendations into effect  
33 by filing the same with the clerk of the house of representatives.  
34 The clerk shall forward such report and recommendations to the  
35 appropriate committee which shall review the same and may make  
36 comments and recommendations to said commission within  
37 ninety days of receipt of the same.

1 SECTION 2. The initial report required to be filed with the  
2 general court pursuant to the provisions of section one of this act  
3 shall be so filed within eighteen months of the effective date of  
4 this act.