

HOUSE No. 923

By Ms. Callahan of Sutton, petition of Jennifer M. Callahan, Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and another relative to providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to automobile insurance fraud in the Commonwealth. Financial Services.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FRAUD IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission to consist of 3 members
2 of the senate, 5 members of the house of representatives, the reg-
3 istrar of motor vehicles or his designee, the commissioner of
4 insurance or his designee and 3 members to be appointed by the
5 governor is hereby established for the purpose of making an
6 investigation and study relative to automobile personal injury
7 fraud perpetrator, detection, prevention and prosecution in the
8 Commonwealth. The members of the commission shall serve
9 without compensation but shall receive their necessary expenses
10 incurred in the discharge of their official duties. The commission
11 shall be provided with offices.

12 The commission may employ an executive director, legal
13 counsel and such other assistance as it may deem necessary, sub-
14 ject to appropriation. The commission may accept and expend any
15 appropriations, grants of money, professional services, consultant
16 services, clerical or other services and supplies from the Com-
17 monwealth in the course of the investigations. The commission
18 and its staff may travel within and without of the Commonwealth.

19 Said commission shall file its initial report to the general court
20 containing the results of its investigation and study and its recom-
21 mendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to
22 carry its recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the
23 clerk of the house of representatives on or before March 1, 2007

24 and shall file its final report with such drafts on or before
25 December 1, 2007.