

SENATE NO. 637

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SAFETY OF PUBLIC DEPOSITS

*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. There shall be a special commission to investigate, study, and make a report on the
2 safety and security of deposits made by public entities, including the commonwealth, cities,
3 towns, counties, districts and regional school districts, said funds being deposited in any form
4 whatsoever in any public depository or in a combined investment fund. The report shall assess
5 the necessity of providing further security for said public deposits and include recommendations
6 to establish reasonable standards for protecting public deposits. The commission shall consist of
7 11 members: the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on banks and banking who shall
8 serve as co-chairpersons; the treasurer or his designee; the state auditor or his designee; the state
9 banking commissioner or his designee; 2 representatives of the Massachusetts Collectors &
10 Treasurers Association, 2 representatives of the Massachusetts Bankers Association; a
11 representative of the Massachusetts Municipal Association; and a representative of
12 Massachusetts Credit Union League. The commission shall file its report, including its
13 recommendations and a draft of any legislation necessary to carry out its recommendations, by
14 filing the same with the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate not later than June
15 1, 2005.

