

The Collection

We catalog and store all physical materials onsite. Depending on their preservation needs, these are either kept in the stacks behind the Reference Desk or in Special Collections.

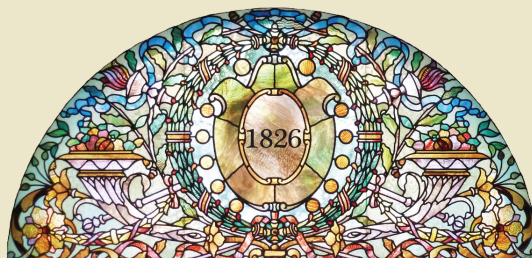
Our goal is to digitize as many of these items as possible so that patrons can access them anywhere, at any time.

Ready to submit your documents?

Please email them to
electronic.documents@mass.gov

Questions?

Please send an email to
Reference.Department@mass.gov and a librarian will get back to you shortly.



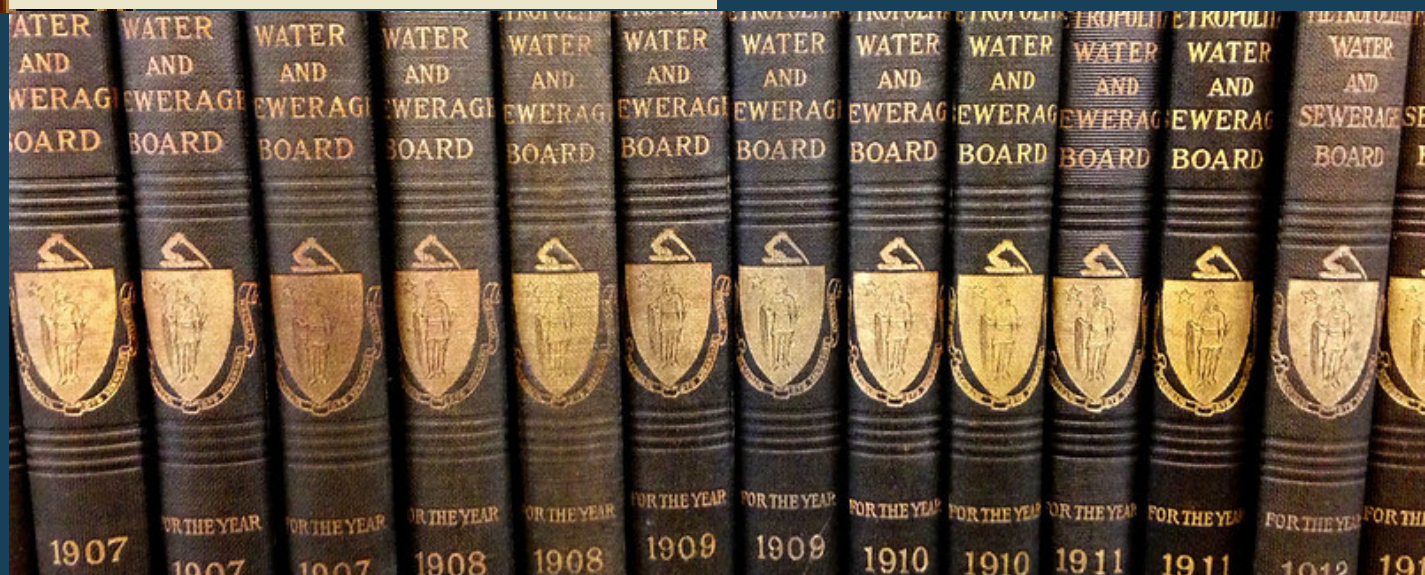
State Library of Massachusetts

24 Beacon Street,
State House Room 341,
Boston, MA 02133

ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

**Massachusetts State
Government Documents
Depository Program**

More information on the program is available on our website. Just scan the QR code below to visit it:



Digital Preservation

While many agencies post documents on their websites, MassGov does not preserve them indefinitely. This is one reason why it is imperative that the Library receives a copy.

When we receive digital materials, we upload them to our online repository where they can be accessed and downloaded by the public, permanently.



With your help, we can ensure the preservation and accessibility of agency documents for everyone.

Increase your impact

Whether our patrons work in the State House or not, the State Library serves the information needs of everyone who contacts us.

The State Library's patrons depend on us to provide authentic resources published by our government.

The importance of your role in this program cannot be stressed enough.

What we collect

Published documents, such as...

- Reports (Preliminary, Interim, & Annual)
- Guidelines
- Taskforce findings
- Proclamations
- Anything meant for public distribution

What we don't collect

Unpublished documents, such as...

- Posters
- Agendas
- Legal material
- Applications
- Sensitive or internal documents not meant to be shared

This December
M.G.L. ch.6 §39B turns 40!

Section 39B. Each state agency shall furnish the state library eight copies of its publications. Said copies shall be forwarded to the state library no later than five working days after they are received from the printer or contractor. The state library shall make three copies available for public consultation in the library and for permanent historic preservation by the library. The others shall be provided to the Library of Congress and to each of the state's regional public libraries.

Approved December 27, 1984.