

HOUSE No. 1386

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act [Title].

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Resolved, That a special commission is hereby established to investigate and study the
2 viability of proposing further punishment for those detained in relation to disorderly conduct in a
3 riotous assembly by public safety officials, or those in authority to detain individuals, as stated
4 under Section 7 of Chapter 269 of the General Laws. Said investigation and study shall include,
5 but not be limited to, an analysis of the extent of fines or punishment for crimes including, but
6 not limited to disorderly conduct, vandalism, breaking and entering, assault, battery, and robbery.
7 Further, pursuant to Section 6 of Chapter 269 of the General Laws, the commission shall
8 examine the option of holding persons, who are arrested by those with the authority to do so,
9 responsible for any deaths that occur at the time of the riot, at or near the location of the riotous
10 gathering. Said commission shall report to the general court the results of its study, if any,
11 together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such recommendations into effect, by filing
12 the same with the clerk of the House of Representatives on or before the thirty-first of December,
13 two thousand and ten.