

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3024**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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Resolve [Title].

1           Resolved, That a special commission is hereby established for the purpose of examining  
2 the seal and motto of the Commonwealth to determine that they accurately reflect and embody  
3 the historic and contemporary commitments of the Commonwealth to peace, justice, liberty and  
4 equality, and to spreading the opportunities and advantages of education.

5           Said commission shall make recommendations regarding a revised or new design of the  
6 seal of the commonwealth and a revised or new motto of the commonwealth, as described in  
7 chapter two, sections two to six, inclusive, of the General Laws.

8           Said commission shall consist of two members of the senate, three members of the house  
9 of representatives, the secretary of the commonwealth or his designee, the executive director of  
10 the Massachusetts historical commission or his designee, the executive director of the council on  
11 arts and humanities or his designee, the chair of the Massachusetts Arts Commission or designee,  
12 and five persons to be appointed by the governor, three of whom shall be of native American  
13 descent of Massachusetts tribes to be selected from a list of six nominees to be submitted by the  
14 executive director of the commission on Indian affairs.

15           Said commission shall report to the general court the results of its investigation and  
16 study, and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry its  
17 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the house of representatives on  
18 or before the first Wednesday of December, 2010. Said commission shall not receive funds  
19 appropriated by the commonwealth, provided, however, that they may seek, accept and expend  
20 any grants or gifts of money, professional services, consultant services, clerical and other  
21 services and supplies from the federal government or any other private or public source in the  
22 course of its investigation and study.