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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, to consist of 7 members appointed by the governor,  
2 is hereby established for the purpose of making an investigation and study relative to devising a  
3 comprehensive plan for the restructuring of chapter 40B of the General Laws to make it more  
4 responsive to the needs of the individual communities of the commonwealth. Said commission  
5 shall consist of 1 municipal official from a suburban community affected by chapter 40B, 1  
6 municipal official from an urban community, 1 representative from a non-profit housing  
7 organization engaged in producing 40B housing, 1 representative from the real estate and  
8 development community, 1 consultant to municipalities with recognized expertise on the adverse  
9 impact of 40B developments, 1 representative from a citizens community organization formed to  
10 protest a 40B project, and 1 member to be chosen at the discretion of the governor. The  
11 commission shall conduct a review of current legislation, regulations and their application in  
12 order to devise a comprehensive plan for the restructuring of chapter 40B to make it more  
13 responsive to the needs of the individual communities of the commonwealth. Said commission  
14 shall report to the General Court the results of its study and its recommendations together with  
15 drafts of legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect by filing the same with  
16 the clerk of the house of representatives on or before the last Wednesday in December, 2008.