

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2678**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Daniel Cahill*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act creating a special commission to study the participation of minority business enterprises and women business enterprises in public construction projects.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>

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By Mr. Cahill of Lynn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2678) of Daniel Cahill and others relative to establishing a special commission (including members of the General Court) to study the participation of minority business enterprises and women business enterprises in public construction projects. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act creating a special commission to study the participation of minority business enterprises and women business enterprises in public construction projects.

*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. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the  
2           contrary, there shall be established a special commission to investigate, study, and make  
3           legislative recommendations on the adequacy and efficiency of laws and regulations governing  
4           the participation of minority business enterprises and women business enterprises on public  
5           construction projects. The commission shall consist of 20 members, 1 of whom shall be  
6           appointed by the governor who shall serve as the co-chairman of the commission; 1 of whom  
7           shall be appointed by the attorney general, 3 of whom shall be members of the senate, 2 of whom  
8           shall be appointed by the president of the senate, of which 1 shall serve as co-chairman of the  
9           commission and 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the senate; 3 of whom  
10          shall be members of the house of representatives, 2 of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of  
11          the house, of which 1 shall serve as co-chairman of the commission and 1 of whom shall be

12 appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives; the commissioner of the  
13 department of capital asset management and maintenance; the inspector general; the chairperson  
14 or his designee of the Massachusetts Municipal Association; the president or his designee of the  
15 Massachusetts Building Trades Council; the president or his designee of the Associated General  
16 Contractors of Massachusetts; the president or his designee of the Building Trades Employers  
17 Association; the president or his designee of Associated Subcontractors of Massachusetts; the  
18 president or his designee of Construction Industries of Massachusetts; the president or his  
19 designee of the Massachusetts AFL-CIO; a representative of the Massachusetts Minority  
20 Contractors Association, a representative of the National Association of Women and  
21 Construction, and a representative of The Policy Group on Tradeswomen's issues. The  
22 commission shall file a report on the results of its study, together with its recommendations, if  
23 any, and any legislation necessary to carry such recommendations into effect, with the clerks of  
24 the house of representatives and the senate not later than December 31, 2020.