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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) December 25, 2007

THE COMMERCE GROUP, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts001-1367204-2599931(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

211 Main Street, Webster, Massachusetts 01570 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (508) 943-9000

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Section 5. Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

The Commerce Group, Inc. (the Company) is saddened to announce that one of its Directors, John W. Spillane, passed away on December 25, 2007. Mr. Spillane was a member of the Company's Board of Directors since its inception in 1972. At the present time, no decision has been made regarding a replacement for Mr. Spillane.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE COMMERCE GROUP, INC. December 27, 2007

/s/ John M. Meciak John M. Meciak Controller and Assistant Treasurer