

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 5274

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 13, 1978.

The committee on Transportation, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1233) of Robert B. Ambler, Robert E. McCarthy and other members of the General Court for legislation to further regulate the expenditure of certain funds for highway purposes on Interstate Route I-93, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1117) of Andrew H. Card, Jr., and other members of the House and another that the Department of Public Works be directed to provide for the use of two reversible lanes on the Southeast Expressway, report recommending that the accompanying resolve (House, No. 5274) ought to pass [Senator Burke dissenting].

For the committee,

ROBERT S. TEAHAN.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Eight.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RELATIVE TO A COMPREHENSIVE AND COORDINATED PLAN FOR CERTAIN HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS.

1     *Resolved*, That the Department of Public Works is hereby  
2 authorized and directed to make an investigation and study of  
3 plans for the improvement of the Central Artery in the City of  
4 Boston, I-93 north of the Central Artery to Somerville, the  
5 Southeast Expressway from Braintree to Boston and construction  
6 of a third harbor crossing. Said department shall in the course of its  
7 investigation and study, consider the feasibility, construction,  
8 phasing, coordination and transportation impacts of the depres-  
9 sion of the Central Artery, of reversible or flexible lanes on the  
10 Southeast Expressway, and construction of a third harbor crossing  
11 in conjunction with the depression of the Central Artery. The  
12 department also shall consider the impact on said highways and  
13 coordination with said projects of any bridge deck reconstruction  
14 and traffic management strategies. The department also shall  
15 consider the cost estimates of said projects, the federal financial  
16 assistance for said projects and the required amounts of state  
17 funds. The department also shall report on the types and time  
18 requirements of mandatory federal and state environmental and  
19 planning studies for said projects. Said department shall report to  
20 the General Court the results of its investigation and study, its  
21 recommendations as to projects which should be implemented and  
22 a schedule for such implementation, together with drafts of such  
23 legislation as may be necessary to carry such recommendations  
24 into effect by filing the same with the clerk of the House of  
25 Representatives not later than the first Monday of April, nineteen  
26 hundred and seventy-nine.