

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 24, 1978.

The committee on Urban Affairs, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1261), of Leonard O'Dolan for legislation relative to the consolidation of metropolitan areas throughout the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1262) of Edward L. Burke for legislation to authorize the Metropolitan District Commission to convey certain property to the town of Framingham; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1273) of Michael LoPresti, Jr., for legislation to authorize and direct the commissioner of the Metropolitan District Commission and the director of the Division of Waterways to open a certain portion of Boston Harbor; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2311) of David Graham that the Metropolitan District Commission be authorized to acquire Gallagher Memorial Park in the Brighton section of the city of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2312) of William F. Galvin that the Metropolitan District Commission or the Department of Natural Resources be directed to take a certain parcel of land in the Brighton district of the city of Boston for conservation and recreational purposes; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2502) of Eleanor M. Campobasso and Edward M. Dickson that the Metropolitan District Commission be required to hold public hearings relative to a certain operating budget; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3977) of Jens E. Thornton that the Metropolitan District Commission be directed to expedite general traffic on a certain part of Quincy Shore Drive in the city of Quincy; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4169) of Thomas F. Brownell, Michael W. Morrissey and James A. Sheets that the Metropolitan District Commission be directed to commence construction on the comfort station located on Quincy Shore Drive in the city of Quincy; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5119) of Michael Paul Feeny that the Metropolitan District Commission be directed to designate the newly constructed bridge over Stony Brook on River Street in the Hyde Park-Readville section of the city of Boston in honor of the late Joseph J. Amuzzini; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5122) of Michael Paul Feeny that the

Metropolitan District Commission be authorized to construct a central maintenance supply facility; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5125) of the Allston/Brighton Community Beautification Council that the Metropolitan District Commission be directed to construct a retaining wall between Soldiers Field Road extension and Leo Birmingham Parkway in the city of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5126) of the Allston/Brighton Community Beautification Council and William F. Galvin that the Metropolitan District Commission be authorized to take by eminent domain a certain parcel of land in the Brighton district of the city of Boston to be used for conservation and recreational purposes; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5129) of the Allston/Brighton Community Beautification Council that the Metropolitan District Commission be directed to construct a pedestrian overpass in the Brighton district of the city of Boston; reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 5567) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

JOHN F. CUSACK

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

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on Urban Affairs be authorized to sit during the current session and during the recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study relative to the functions of the Metropolitan District Commission.

Said committee shall, in the course of its investigation and study, consider the subject matter of current senate documents numbered 1261, relative to the consolidation of metropolitan areas throughout the Commonwealth; 1262, relative to the authorization to convey certain property in Framingham; 1273, relative to the Commissioner and the Director of the Division of Waterways to open a portion of Boston Harbor; of current house documents numbered 2311, relative to acquiring Gallagher Memorial Park in the Brighton section of the city of Boston; 2312, relative to being directed to take a certain parcel of land in the Brighton district of the city of Boston for conservation and recreational purposes; 2502, being required to hold public hearings relative to a certain operating budget; 3977, relative to being directed to expedite traffic on Quincy Shore Drive in Quincy; 4169, relative to directing to commence certain construction in Quincy by a certain date; 5119, relative to naming a bridge on River Street in Hyde Park — Readville; 5122, relative to the construction of a central garage for the commission; 5125, relative to authorizing to construct a retaining wall between Soldiers Field Road extension and Leo Birmingham Parkway in Boston, relative to being directed to take a certain parcel of land in the Brighton district of the city of Boston for conservation and recreational purposes; 5126, relative to being directed to take a certain parcel of land in the Brighton district of the city of Boston for conservation and recreational purposes; 5129, relative to providing for the construction of a pedestrian overpass along Soldiers Field Road. Said committee shall not be limited in its study and investigation to the subject matter of said documents. Said committee shall report to the General Court from time to time the results of its investigation and study, and its recommendation, if any together with drafts of such legislation necessary to carry said recommendations into effect, and by filing its final report with the Clerk of the House on or before the last Wednesday of December, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight.

