SENATE . . . . . . No. 725

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 725) of Joseph B. Walsh, John Bok and Michael Westgate for legislation to authorize the Metropolitan District Commission to lease to Peddock's Island Trust, Inc., the land with the buildings thereon known as Peddock's Island in Boston Harbor for the purpose of revitalizing and managing said island as an educational and recreational resource for the use and benefit of the general public. Housing and Urban Development.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-four.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION TO LEASE TO PEDDOCK'S ISLAND TRUST, INC., THE LAND WITH THE BUILDINGS THEREON KNOWN AS PEDDOCK'S ISLAND IN BOSTON HARBOR FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVITALIZING AND MANAGING SAID ISLAND AS AN EDUCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL RESOURCE FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Subject to the provisions of chapter 579 of the acts of 1980,
- 2 but notwithstanding the provisions of any other general or
- 3 special law to the contrary, the metropolitan district commis-
- 4 sion is hereby authorized to lease to Peddock's Island Trust,
- 5 Inc., a charitable corporation incorporated under the laws of
- 6 the commonwealth, for a term of sixty-five years, which may
- 7 be extended for up to four consecutive terms of five years each,
- 8 all or any portion or portions of the land with buildings thereon
- 9 known as Peddock's Island in Boston Harbor, for the purpose
- 10 of revitalizing and managing said island as an educational and
- 11 recreational resource for the use and benefit of the general
- 12 public, together with such private development as is compati-
- 13 ble with such use. Such lease shall be on such terms and con-
- 14 ditions as the commission may determine to insure its con-
- 15 tinued use for the aforesaid purposes and the preservation and
- 16 enhancement of the unique environmental characteristics of
- 17 the island and the historic character of some of its buildings.