

SENATE No. 1797

By Mr. Houston, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1797) of John Patrick Houston for legislation to direct the Executive Office of Energy Resources to conduct an investigation and study of certain price increases in gasoline and home heating oil. Energy.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT DIRECTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY OF CERTAIN PRICE INCREASES IN GASOLINE AND HOME HEATING OIL.

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

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation
2 to the contrary, the executive office of energy resources is hereby
3 authorized and directed to conduct an investigation and study of
4 recent gasoline and home heating price increases following the
5 Alaskan oil spill, so-called. Said investigation and study shall
6 examine said price increases for any unfair and deceptive prac-
7 tices or manipulation of the price of gasoline or home heating oil.
8 Said office of energy resources, upon a determination of any
9 unfair or deceptive practice or manipulation of gasoline or home
10 heating oil shall forthwith deliver to the office of the attorney
11 general and the clerks of the senate and house of representatives
12 the result of its investigation and study on or before May 26, nine-
13 teen hundred and eighty-nine.

