

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 7, 1982.

The committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 848) of Daniel J. Foley for legislation to regulate the liability and financial responsibility requirements applicable to the generation, transportation, storage, treatment, and disposal of hazardous waste; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 399) of Elizabeth N. Metayer relative to the responsibility of persons releasing hazardous waste and oil into the environment; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 701) of the Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation and Walter E. Bickford relative to liability of landowners for hazardous wastes; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1342) of James G. Collins for legislation to clarify the law relative to persons responsible for releases of hazardous wastes and other hazardous substances; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2309) of Nicholas A. Paleologos for legislation to clarify the law relative to persons responsible for releases of hazardous wastes and other hazardous substances; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3221) of William P. Nagle, Jr., and other members of the General Court relative to clarifying the law concerning persons responsible for releases of hazardous wastes and establishing the hazardous waste compensation fund; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3808) of Howard C. Cahoon, Jr., for legislation to establish a fund for liability for damages caused by oil spills; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5465) of Edward A. LeLacheur relative to further regulating the financial liability of the Commonwealth for the disposal of hazardous waste materials, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 6424) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

WILLIAM P. NAGLE, JR.

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

Ordered, That the committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture be authorized to sit during the recess of the General Court for the purpose of making an investigation and study of the subject matter of current senate and house documents numbered S. 848, H. 399, H. 701, H. 1342, H. 2309, H. 3221, H. 3808 and H. 5465, relative to Hazardous Waste Liability.

Said committee shall be provided with quarters in the state house or elsewhere, may hold hearings, may require by summons the attendance and testimony of witnesses, may travel within and without the Commonwealth and may expend for expert, legal, clerical, and other services and for expenses such sums as may be appropriated therefor.

Said committee shall report to the general court from time to time the results of its investigation and study and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the house of representatives on or before the first Wednesday of December nineteen hundred and eighty-two.