

HOUSE No. 5549

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

House of Representatives, May 11, 1970.

The committee on Urban Affairs, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 184) of Ronald C. MacKenzie that provision be made for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to a site for the development of a new community in the Commonwealth, the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1030) of the Mass. Improvement Association, Inc., by Van Ness-Bates, president, and Maurice E. Frye, Jr., for legislation to provide for the creation of the Bay State Development Commission; and for it to study the potentialities of (1) developing what are commonly known as "new cities"; and (2) new or expanded conservation areas; and (3) possible combinations of such new cities and conservation areas; and for the appropriation of funds for the activities of the aforesaid commission; the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 2258) of Charles F. Flaherty, Jr., for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to determining the feasibility of constructing a linear city along Route 495; the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 2268), of Martin A. Linsky and another for an investigation by the committee on Urban Affairs relative to enabling cities and towns to form local development corporations; and the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 4554), of Michael J. Daly and Charles F. Flaherty, Jr., for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the establishment of new communities in the Commonwealth, report the accompanying order (House, No. 5549).

For the committee,

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Ordered, That the joint standing committee on Urban Affairs is hereby authorized and directed to sit during the recess to study and investigate the subject matter of current senate documents numbered 184 and 1030 and house documents numbered 1059, 2258, 2268, and 4554.

Said joint standing committee shall have the power to summon witnesses, subpoena records relevant to its investigation, and to hire research, legal, and clerical employees. Said committee shall report to the general court the results of its investigation and study and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the house clerk on or before the fourth Wednesday of December, nineteen hundred and seventy.