

HOUSE No. 5770

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 9, 1971.

The committee on Rules, to whom were referred the Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Sisitsky of Springfield and Bartley of Holyoke) urging a study and review of the report of the Army Corps of Engineers relative to the development of the Connecticut River Basin (House, No. 5770), report that the same ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

THOMAS W. MCGEE

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLUTIONS URGING A STUDY AND REVIEW OF THE REPORT OF
THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS RELATIVE TO THE DEVELOP-
MENT OF THE CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN.

1 *Whereas*, There has recently been completed a plan for the
2 development of the Connecticut River Basin, entitled "Connecti-
3 cut River Basin Comprehensive Water and Related Land Re-
4 source Investigation" under the leadership of the Army Corps of
5 Engineers, which plan is being reviewed by the New England
6 River Basins Commission; and

7 *Whereas*, Said plan has been evaluated by a "Citizens Review
8 Committee" appointed by the New England River Basins
9 Commission; and

10 *Whereas*, Said Citizens Review Committee has emphasized that
11 the proposed Basin Plan contains inadequate environmental or
12 ecological data concerning the environmental effect of individual
13 project proposals or of the plan in its entirety; and

14 *Whereas*, There is a grave concern that many of the proposed
15 programs in said plan may result in significant and irreversible
16 environmental damage and that said plan has not given proper
17 consideration to such possible environmental consequences;
18 therefore be it

19 *Resolved*, That the Massachusetts House of Representatives
20 hereby strongly urges that studies of probable environmental
21 impact of said Connecticut River Basin plan be undertaken
22 immediately and that further implementation of the existing
23 Connecticut River Basin Plan be deferred until such significant
24 studies can be substantially completed and made available for
25 review and consideration by the public in the Valley and by all
26 agencies responsible for reviewing and implementing said plan;
27 and be it further

28 *Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded by the
29 Secretary of the Commonwealth to President Richard M. Nixon,
30 Governor Francis W. Sargent, Senators Edward M. Kennedy and

31 Edward W. Brooke, Congressmen Edward P. Boland and Silvio O.
32 Conte, Russell E. Train, Chairman of the President's Council on
33 Environmental Quality and to Frank Gregg, Chairman of the
34 New England River Basins Commission and to the Army Corps of
35 Engineers.

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Adopted.

WALLACE C. MILLS,

Clerk.

1) Edward W. Hooper-Allyn, 1870-1911, was born in
 2) New York City, New York, on the 15th of
 3) January, 1870, and died on the 15th of
 4) January, 1911, at the age of 41 years.

5) He was a member of the New York State Bar Association
 6) and of the New York State Chamber of Commerce.

7) He was also a member of the New York State
 8) Agricultural Society and of the New York State
 9) Horticultural Society.

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