

SENATE No. 1202

By Mr. Mendonca, a petition of George G. Mendonca for legislation to extend the powers of the Director of Marine Fisheries in the Department of Natural Resources. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two.

AN ACT EXTENDING THE POWERS OF THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE FISHERIES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

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

- 1 Section 17 of chapter 130 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by inserting after subsection (10), added by chapter
3 1104 of the acts of 1971, the following subsection: —
4 (11) Prevent the construction of any tower or structure
5 upon the ocean floor or the floating or anchoring of vessels or
6 marine structures within the territorial waters of the com-
7 monwealth described in subsection (10) for the purpose of
8 exploring, drilling or producing oil. Any person, firm or cor-
9 poration convicted of violating the provisions of this subsec-
10 tion shall be punished by a fine not to exceed fifty thousand
11 dollars. Violations may be prosecuted in the superior court.

The Mr. Secretary's petition of George G. Mendenhall for legislation to extend the power of the Director of Marine Fisheries in the Department of Natural Resources, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Constitutionality of Massachusetts

In the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Two

At a conference of the powers of the Director of Marine Fisheries
 held in the Department of Natural Resources

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
 Court assembled, and by the authority of the Senate as follows:

Section 17 of chapter 120 of the General Laws is hereby
 amended by inserting after section 17, as added by chapter
 1104 of the acts of 1911, the following subsection:—
 1. (1) Every fisherman or any other person or
 2. vessel or boat or the fishing or anchoring of vessels or
 3. other structures within the territorial waters of the com-
 4. monwealth described in subsection (1), for the purpose of
 5. exploring, drilling or producing oil, gas, peat, tin or
 6. other minerals or valuable substances of this subsec-
 7. tion, shall be deemed to be engaged in the business of
 8. fishing and shall be subject to the provisions of this subsec-
 9. tion. This section shall not be construed to prevent any
 10. person or vessel from being engaged in the business of
 11. fishing.