

HOUSE No. 5514

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 14, 1987.

The committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2799) of Howard C. Cahoon, Jr., and Paul V. Doane relative to protecting the existing commercial fishing industry; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4119) of Robert A. Durand for legislation to further protect the marine fisheries of the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4448) of Robert A. Durand and another for legislation to regulate the taking of certain salt water fish; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5069) of Robert A. Durand relative to the penalty for the illegal possession of certain fish, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 5514) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

STEVEN ANGELO.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

1 *Ordered*, That the committee on Natural Resources and
2 Agriculture be authorized to make an investigation and study of
3 the current house documents numbered 2799, legislation to
4 protect the existing commercial fishing industry; 4119, legislation
5 to further protect the marine fisheries of the Commonwealth;
6 4448, legislation to regulate the taking of certain salt water fish;
7 and 5069, legislation relative to the illegal possession of certain
8 marine fish.

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

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