

HOUSE . . . . . No. 5064

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 1, 1969.

The committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 4987) of George Rogers, Raymond S. Peck and George DiLorenzo for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the feasibility of establishing necessary safeguards to protect the beaches and coast of the Commonwealth against oil pollution, report the accompanying order (House, No. 5064).

For the committee,

STEVE T. CHMURA.

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1 *Ordered*, That the joint committee on natural resources  
2 and agriculture is hereby authorized to sit during the recess  
3 of the general court for the purpose of making an investiga-  
4 tion and study of the feasibility of establishing necessary safe-  
5 guards to protect the beaches and coast of the commonwealth  
6 against oil pollution in the event of federal leases for offshore  
7 lands to oil companies with particular reference to possible  
8 pollution arising from offshore drilling as was experienced in  
9 California, and to the liability rules applicable to existing as  
10 well as future leases on federal offshore lands promulgated by  
11 the department of the interior and other related matters  
12 thereto.