

HOUSE No. 3517

By Mr. Simons of Montague, petition of the Alternative Energy Coalition for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) of the potential use of solar energy sources in proposed public buildings and other related matters. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE TO CREATE A COMMISSION ON SOLAR ENERGY.

1 *Resolved,* That a special commission to consist of three
2 members of the House of Representatives; two members of the
3 Senate; and four persons to be appointed by the governor; is
4 hereby established to make an investigation and study of the
5 potential use of solar energy sources in proposed public
6 buildings and the feasibility of establishing incentives to
7 encourage persons to install solar augmentation heating devices
8 on existing or future houses and buildings.

9 Said commission shall investigate and evaluate current rules
10 and regulations promulgated by the Building Code Commission,
11 especially as they may relate to energy code requirements.
12 Further, the commission shall study the taxation laws of the
13 Commonwealth to determine what, if any, incentives might be
14 established to encourage persons owning existing houses or
15 buildings, or constructing future houses and buildings to install
16 solar augmentation heating devices.

17 The commission shall submit a final report to the governor
18 and to the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate
19 by December 31, 1975 and may submit such interim reports as it
20 deems advisable.

