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By Mr. Bulger, a petition of William M. Bulger and others that provision be made for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to a program of pollution abatement in Boston Harbor and redevelopment of the waterfront. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO A PROGRAM OF POLLUTION ABATEMENT IN BOSTON HARBOR AND REDEVELOPMENT OF THE WATERFRONT.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission to consist of three  
2 members of the Senate, five members of the House of Repre-  
3 sentatives, five persons to be appointed by the Governor, the  
4 Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources or his  
5 designee, the commissioner of the metropolitan commission or  
6 his designee, the commissioner of the department of public  
7 works or his designee, the commissioner of the Massachusetts  
8 Port Authority or his designee; the Commissioner of the De-  
9 partment of Public Health or his designee, and the mayor of  
10 the City of Boston or his designee is hereby established for the  
11 purpose of making an investigation and study relative to the  
12 control and abatement of water pollution in Boston Harbor and  
13 to redevelopment of the Boston Harbor waterfront.

14 Said Commission shall consider sources of Boston Harbor  
15 pollution, the implementation of a program of pollution abate-  
16 ment, and the redevelopment of waterfront land in keeping  
17 with the assessment that the Harbor is the most valuable  
18 single natural resource of the Commonwealth.

19 Said Commission shall coordinate its efforts with the Depart-  
20 ment of Natural Resources which is developing a conservation  
21 and recreation program for the islands of Boston Harbor.

22 Said Commission shall suggest ways and means for the  
23 financing of such developments. Said commission may appoint

24 a person to act as secretary and to correlate its findings, and  
25 shall establish his compensation. Said commission may accept  
26 and expend gifts and grants of money from the federal govern-  
27 ment or any other public or private source. Said commission  
28 may cooperate with any agency of the commonwealth or its  
29 political subdivisions, including regional planning districts in  
30 the conduct of its investigation and study, and may enter into  
31 cooperative agreements and contracts with said agencies and  
32 political subdivisions of the commonwealth for the receipt and  
33 expenditure of federal and other grants and gifts, and for pro-  
34 fessional services, clerical and other services and supplies in  
35 connection therewith.

36 Said Commission may report from time to time, and shall  
37 report to the General court the results of its investigation and  
38 study, and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts  
39 of legislation necessary to carry such recommendations into  
40 effect by filing the same with the clerk of the house of repre-  
41 sentatives on or before the last Wednesday of December, nine-  
42 teen hundred and seventy-one.