

By Mr. Mullins of Ludlow, petition of William D. Mullins and Michael P. Walsh for legislation to restrict the use of microencapsulated pesticides. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

**AN ACT TO RESTRICT THE USE OF MICROENCAPSULATED PESTICIDES.**

*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 1. Section 6 of chapter 132B of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: —

3 No person shall distribute or use a microencapsulated pesticide  
4 in any shape or form as a pesticide and the use of the said microen-  
5 capsulated pesticide is hereby banned from further use or sale  
6 throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

1 SECTION 2. Section 7 of chapter 132B of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: —

3 The said subcommittee shall be prohibited from registering a  
4 microencapsulated pesticide in any shape or form as the said  
5 pesticide is dangerous to beneficial pollinating insects, especially  
6 the honeybee which is crucial to the effective pollination and crop  
7 productivity by our agricultural industry. The honeybee innocently  
8 carries the said microencapsulated pesticide back to the hive as  
9 pollen which results in the complete destruction of the honeybee  
10 colony.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its enactment.

By Mr. BAKER of Illinois (reading) (Mr. MILLER of Michigan and  
Mr. WELCH of Michigan) to amend the act to authorize  
the construction of a canal between the States of Illinois and Michigan.

**The Commission of the Canal**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That in and to the effect that the said act be amended so that

Section 1 of the said act be amended to read as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 135 of the Statutes at Large is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "The said commission shall be organized from representatives of the several States of Illinois and Michigan in such proportions as may be determined by the said commission."

SECTION 2. Section 2 of chapter 135 of the Statutes at Large is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"The said representatives shall be appointed from representatives of the several States of Illinois and Michigan in such proportions as may be determined by the said commission. The said representatives shall be appointed from the several States of Illinois and Michigan in such proportions as may be determined by the said commission."

SECTION 3. The act shall take effect upon its passage.