

By Mr. Goyette of New Bedford, petition of Roger R. Goyette, Nicholas J. Costello, Thomas K. Lynch, Robert W. Gillette and Richard R. Silva for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the management of shellfish in the Commonwealth and the powers and duties of each agency involved in such management. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE MANAGEMENT, OF SHELLFISH IN THE COMMONWEALTH, AND THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF EACH STATE AGENCY INVOLVED IN SUCH MANAGEMENT.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission, to consist of two members
2 of the Senate, five members of the House of Representatives, the
3 commissioner of the Department of Environmental Quality Engi-
4 neering or his designee, the director of the Division of Marine
5 Fisheries or his designee, the director of the Office of Coastal Zone
6 Management or his designee, the director of the Division of Law
7 Enforcement or his designee and the director of the Division of
8 Food and Drug or his designee, is hereby established for the
9 purpose of making an investigation and study relative to the pres-
10 ent state of shellfish management in Massachusetts, and the pow-
11 ers and duties of each state agency involved in such management.
12 Said commission shall suggest methods for the integration of
13 regulatory programs among the various agencies, and suggest new
14 and innovative ways to increase the shellfish industry as an eco-
15 nomically viable business in Massachusetts.
16 Said commission may accept and expend gifts and grants of
17 money from the federal government or any other public or private
18 source, and may enter into agreements or contracts for acceptance
19 of said grants or gifts which provide for a contribution of money
20 from appropriations made for the purposes of said commission.

21 Said commission shall report to the general court the results of
22 its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any,
23 together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such recom-
24 mendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the
25 House of Representatives on or before the first Wednesday of
26 December, nineteen hundred and eighty.