

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1131

By Mr. Goyette of New Bedford, petition of Roger R. Goyette for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the revision and updating of present rules and regulations regarding fishing vessel safety. Public Safety.

## 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 REVISION AND UPDATING OF PRESENT RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING FISHING VESSEL SAFETY.

1 *Resolved*, That a special commission to consist of two members  
2 of the Senate, five members of the House of Representatives, a  
3 representative from the United States Coast Guard First District,  
4 the commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industries or his  
5 designee, the Commissioner of Public Safety or his designee and  
6 persons to be appointed by the Governor, including: — one  
7 member of the Massachusetts Boat Owners Association from each  
8 of their regional bodies along the Massachusetts coastline, a  
9 member of the Fishermen's Union from each of their regional  
10 bodies along the Massachusetts coastline, a certified marine sur-  
11 veyor with expertise in fishing vessel inspection, one member who  
12 represents the insurance underwriters association and one member  
13 from the New England Marine Fisheries Council is hereby estab-  
14 lished for the purpose of making an investigation and study relative  
15 to the revision and updating of present rules and regulations  
16 regarding fishing vessel safety.

17 Said commission shall suggest improved methods for insuring  
18 fishing vessel safety.

19 Said commission may accept and expend gifts and grants of  
20 money from the federal government or any other public or private  
21 source, and may enter into agreements or contracts for acceptance

22 of said grants or gifts which provide for a contribution of money  
23 from appropriations made for the purposes of said commission.  
24 Said commission shall report to the general court the results of  
25 its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any, to  
26 gether with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such recommen-  
27 dations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the house of  
28 representatives on or before the first Wednesday of November,  
29 nineteen hundred and eighty.