

HOUSE No. 5073

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, October 29, 2020.

The committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 749) of Vincent Lawrence Dixon and Brian M. Ashe for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) to study the economic consequences of climate change, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 760) of Michelle M. DuBois relative to the use of effluent water in cooling towers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 766) of Carolyn C. Dykema and Timothy R. Whelan for legislation to control tick-borne illness by establishment of a state reclamation, mosquito and tick control board, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 775) of Nika C. Elugardo and others relative to enabling conservation commissions to consider climate change within conservation plans, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 778) of Dylan A. Fernandes and others relative to carbon pricing on the sale of fossil fuels, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 817) of Patrick Joseph Kearney for legislation to protect open space, historical resources, and community housing from coastal threats, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 841) of Sarah K. Peake and others promoting sustainable investment, economic security and fiscal responsibility with respect to climate risks, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 842) of Sarah K. Peake, Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to carbon stock on natural and working lands and the release of measurable greenhouse gases, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 874) of Todd M. Smola and Mathew J. Muratore relative to noise and air pollution, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 891) of David T. Vieira and Sarah K. Peake for legislation to further define noise regulation, reports the accompanying order (House, No. 5073) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

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1 *Ordered,* That the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture be
2 authorized to sit during a recess of the General Court to make an investigation and study of
3 House documents numbered 749, 760, 766, 775, 778, 817, 841, 842, 874 and 891, relative to
4 climate and environmental policy.

5 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
6 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
7 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
8 on or before December 31, 2020.