

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 5040**

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*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, October 7, 2010.

The committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill House, No. 834) of James B. Eldridge, Frank I. Smizik and others relative to establishing standards for restoring and maintaining stream flows, water levels and hydrologic regimes that protect natural aquatic life in rivers and streams, a petition (accompanied by bill House, No. 3672) of Michael J. Rodrigues for an investigation by a special commission of the development, implementation and financing of a conservation management plan for the protection of the eastern box turtle, petition (accompanied by bill House, No. 4167) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera and others relative to project review or permit requirement upon certain land by the Department of Fisheries, Wildlife and Environmental Law Enforcement, and petition (accompanied by bill House, No. 4945) of Garrett J. Bradley and Robert A. Hedlund (by vote of the town) relative to authorizing the town of Hingham to become a permanent member of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority, reports, recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 5040) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

WILLIAM M. STRAUS

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In the Year Two Thousand and Ten  
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An Order relative to authorizing the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture to make an investigation and study of certain House documents.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           *Ordered*, That the Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture  
2 be authorized to sit during a recess of the General Court to make an investigation and study of  
3 House documents numbered 834, 3672, 4167 and 4945.

4           Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study  
5 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such  
6 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives  
7 on or before December 31, 2010.