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In the House of Representatives, April 19, 1979

1 WHEREAS, Political subdivisions are authorized by law to
2 participate in State contracts for the purchase of supplies and
3 equipment; and

4 WHEREAS, The Department of General Services entered into a
5 contract for the purchase of deicing rock salt and many
6 municipalities opted to participate in the contract to meet
7 their needs for the winter of 1978-1979; and

8 WHEREAS, There have been large shortfalls in the contracted
9 delivery of this rock salt to the Commonwealth and
10 municipalities involved; and

11 WHEREAS, This shortage creates dangerous conditions on our
12 highways risking injury and death to Commonwealth citizens;
13 therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives directs the
15 Standing Committee on Transportation to conduct a thorough
16 investigation of rock salt shortage. Such investigation shall
17 include but not be limited to possible antitrust violations,

1 collusion between salt suppliers and the bidding procedures
2 involved; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the committee report its findings and
4 recommendations to the House of Representatives as soon as
5 possible.