

WHEREAS, Maryland laws give greater protection to waterfowl than do most states of the Nation, by;

1. Prohibiting Sunday hunting
  2. Prohibiting waterfowl hunting from boats (except sneakboats);
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WHEREAS, Federal Migratory Bird Regulations adopted by the Secretary of the Interior do not provide for an open season after January 15 of each year; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland Game and Inland Fish Commission is not authorized under the provisions of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to extend the open season on migratory birds; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in the future the Secretary of the Interior give consideration to the extension of the open season on waterfowl after January 15 to compensate for loss of hunting opportunity caused by prolonged ice conditions in Maryland waters.

Approved March 24, 1959.

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NO. 12

(Senate Joint Resolution 4)

Senate Joint Resolution urging the Governor to appoint a commission to study the feasibility and ways and means of erecting a bridge between Assateague Island and the mainland of Worcester County.

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland has one of the finest potential vacation areas of the Eastern Seaboard Region located on Assateague Island, which island is located adjacent to the mainland of Worcester County; and

WHEREAS, there are presently approximately two thousand eight hundred property owners on Assateague Island; most of said property owners are unable to develop their lots because of the difficulty of reaching the Island since the only access is by means of an inadequate ferry system; and

WHEREAS, if a bridge were constructed which would link Assateague Island to the mainland, this would greatly aid the development of this resort area and would increase the tax basis by approximately twenty million dollars; now therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Governor be requested to appoint a commission to study the feasibility and

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.