

No. 15

(Senate Joint Resolution 27)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis to remove the provision requiring a referendum from the "Historic District Commission" Ordinance approved on September 12, 1966.

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis met with the President of the Senate and others during the 1966 Session of the General Assembly to object to the passage of scenic easement legislation; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Aldermen agreed that, since State facilities would be expanded within the historic area of Annapolis, they would enact legislation creating a commission to review the appropriateness of new construction and changes to exterior features of buildings in the historic area of Annapolis; and

WHEREAS, On September 12, 1966, the Mayor and Aldermen of Annapolis approved an ordinance creating "The Historic District Commission" to safeguard the heritage of Annapolis by preserving that area which reflects elements of its cultural, social, economic, political, or architectural history; to stabilize and improve property values in the historic district; to foster civic beauty; to strengthen the local economy and to promote the use and preservation of the historic district; and

WHEREAS, The benefits to be derived from the creation of "The Historic District Commission" have been deferred, by a referendum provision in the ordinance, until the next regular General Municipal Election; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of the General Assembly of Maryland that the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis have unduly delayed the effective date of the ordinance in contravention of their prior agreement; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis be requested to remove the provision requiring a referendum from the "Historic District Commission" Ordinance approved on September 12, 1966; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis.

Approved May 4, 1967.

No. 16

(Senate Joint Resolution 28)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting an expansion of the State's tourist program with particular emphasis on the Chesapeake Bay region.