

WHEREAS, In order to implement Maryland's comprehensive outdoor recreation plan, an action program needs to be developed to accelerate the acquisition of recreation areas and the development of recreation facilities by the State of Maryland and the political subdivisions of the State; and

WHEREAS, The present level of funding is insufficient to provide adequate recreation opportunities for every citizen of Maryland; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the President of the Senate of Maryland and the Speaker of the Maryland House of Delegates shall jointly appoint a committee composed of three Members of the Maryland Senate, five Members of the House of Delegates, the Director of the State Planning Department, the Director of the Department of Forests and Parks, the Director of the Department of Game and Inland Fish, and the Director of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs, to develop a program to fund the acquisition of recreation areas by the State and its political subdivisions so that selected recreation areas may be acquired before these irreplaceable areas are converted to some other use and are forever lost; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the committee shall also develop a program that will provide financial assistance from the State to the political subdivisions through loans and grants on a matching basis to acquire recreation areas and to develop recreation facilities; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the committee is directed to submit a report to the Governor of Maryland and to the General Assembly of 1969. The report should include the results of the committee's study and investigation, together with any proposals, recommendations, or programs developed by the committee that will expedite the acquisition of recreation areas and the construction of recreation facilities by the State and/or its political subdivisions.

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(House Joint Resolution 48)

House Joint Resolution requesting the Governor to appoint a Commission, to be known as the Maryland Commission for Latin American Affairs, whose tasks shall be to advise the Governor and the General Assembly upon, and to initiate and coordinate, programs designed to foster, improve, increase and encourage trade, tourism and cultural exchanges between the Free Countries of Central and South America and the State of Maryland.

WHEREAS, in our changing world of intensive commercial and cultural competition, the State of Maryland must prepare herself for future hemispheric demands and opportunities; and