

No. 10

(Senate Joint Resolution 26)

## A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

## Sawmill Creek Watershed Study Project

FOR the purpose of establishing the Sawmill Creek Watershed Study project to evaluate environmental problems in the Sawmill Creek Watershed and providing that certain State and local governmental units and organizations shall participate in the project coordinated by the Department of Natural Resources.

WHEREAS, The Sawmill Creek Watershed in northern Anne Arundel County, Maryland during the past decade has experienced accelerated environmental problems associated with increasing urbanization, particularly flood plain encroachment and degradation, water quality degradation, and increasing storm water runoff; and

WHEREAS, The Sawmill Creek Watershed is suitable to be designated as a pilot study area to evaluate the aforesaid environmental problems since the watershed contains farm land, public water supply wells, airports, State and county road and sewerage projects, residential communities, recreational park lands, small and large industrial developments and other problems associated with expanding urban complexes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That this Body considers it is in the best interest of the State to pursue a pilot study project designed to evaluate storm water management and water pollution control problems and the impact on the Sawmill Creek Watershed of related environmental laws and rules and regulations administered by State and local governments in order to correct these conditions and prevent their recurrence; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the following State and local governmental units and organizations implement and participate in the Sawmill Creek Watershed Study Project to commence June 1, 1975:

- (1) Department of Natural Resources
- (2) Department of State Planning