

Senate Bill No. 446

AN ACT concerning

Task Force on Resource Based Industry in Maryland - Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing a Task Force on Resource Based Industry in Maryland to examine the need for, and the feasibility of, establishing a certain financing development authority; requiring the Task Force to submit a certain report on or before a certain date; providing for the membership of the Task Force; requiring the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House jointly to appoint the co-chairs of the Task Force; requiring the Department of Legislative Services, in consultation with the Department of Business and Economic Development, to staff the Task Force; providing that a member of the Task Force may not be compensated but may receive travel expenses; and generally relating to establishing a Task Force on Resource Based Industry in Maryland.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

(a) There is a Task Force on Resource Based Industry in Maryland.

(b) The Task Force shall consist of the following members:

(1) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) two members of the Maryland House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(3) the Secretary of Business and Economic Development, or the Secretary's designee;

(4) the Secretary of Agriculture, or the Secretary's designee;

(5) the Secretary of Natural Resources, or the Secretary's designee;

(6) the Director of the Maryland Cooperative Extension, or the Director's designee;

(7) the Chair of the Forum for Rural Maryland, or the Chair's designee;

(8) the Chair of the Maryland Forestry Task Force, or the Chair's designee;

(9) a representative of the Western Maryland "One Maryland" Task Force, selected by the members of the Western Maryland Task Force;

(10) a representative of the Eastern Shore "One Maryland" Task Force, selected by the members of the Eastern Shore Task Force; and