

Under Federal regulations governing the use of highway funds, the railroad would be required to share in up to 10 percent of the cost of building separation structures to eliminate the grade crossings.

The Governor said he has requested the U.S. Department of Transportation to provide a supplemental allocation in highway funds to the State for the purpose of eliminating the grade crossings. The request was made in a letter today to Transportation Secretary Alan S. Boyd.

Three of the crossings are in Harford County — on Osborne Road near Aberdeen, at Michaelsville and on Bush River Neck Road.

Other crossings included in the proposed program are:

CECIL COUNTY — The Iron Hill Road, Elk Neck Road, Nottingham Road and Charlestown Road grade crossings.

BALTIMORE COUNTY — The Ebenezer Road, Patapsco Avenue and Knecht Road crossings.

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY — Stony Run Road and Conoways Road crossings.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY — Jericho Park Road, Springfield Road, Seabrook Road, Lanham Road and Glenn Dale Road (Maryland 193).

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## NEWS CONFERENCE

January 22, 1968

The Governor opened the news conference with the release of the following statement:

### MARYLAND'S HEALTH PROGRAM An Appraisal and Plan for Action

Well-motivated but poorly coordinated attempts to solve the perplexing health problems of our society are failing. Let us frankly admit that all levels of government and the myriad specialized groups of the private health sector are responsible to varying degrees for the crisis that is imminent. We must act quickly to avert it.

The hard truth is that we — the governments, the hospitals, the doctors, the interested lay sponsors — have all been struggling independently with our health erector sets in our own back yards. Now, we suddenly discover that none of us has enough pieces to build what he wants and, sadly, that we cannot build cooperatively because our pieces do not seem to fit together.