

Whereas, The Legislature of Virginia has passed a Joint Resolution in words following, to-wit:

“Joint resolution in regard to Maryland and Virginia boundary along the Potomac river,

Whereas, Under the award made by J. P. Black of Pennsylvania, and Charles J. Jenkins, of Georgia, in arbitration between the State of Maryland and the State of Virginia, to settle and determine the true line of boundary between the said States, a doubt exists as to the true line along the Potomac, from the Great Falls, above Washington, D. C., to the mouth of said river, and because of this uncertainty and doubt, the question of territorial jurisdiction remains unsettled, much to the inconvenience to the citizens of each State, and

Whereas, It is important that doubt in the said award be removed, and the true line of boundary should be established and definitely settled; therefore be it

Resolved, The House of Delegates concurring, that the President of the Senate shall appoint two members of the Senate, who, together with himself, shall constitute the committee on the part of the Senate and that the Speaker of the House of Delegates shall appoint three members of that Body, who together with himself, shall constitute the committee on the part of the House of Delegates, (provided that if either the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Delegates prefer not to act, he shall substitute for himself some member of the Body over which he presides,) and the said committee so appointed shall constitute a Joint Committee, whose duty it shall be to invite the Legislature of Maryland to appoint a similar committee on its part to meet and confer with the Virginia committee for the purpose of establishing and definitely settling the true boundary line between the said States by naming the headlands on the Virginia shore, which shall be points from which the true line of boundary shall be drawn.

The said Virginia committee is hereby fully empowered to confer and treat with the Maryland committee on the subject of the boundary line aforesaid, and to report the result of such conference to the General Assembly of Virginia for approval and ratification.