

the legislation is to have only local effect. An example of this is Senate Bill 67⁴¹ which pertains to jurors in Caroline County.

With respect to referral, those bills which are sent to one of the standing committees⁴² are usually of statewide consequence, while bills sent to a select committee are usually local.

For example, a local bill such as House Bill 57 was referred to the Calvert County Delegation.⁴³

Observation consisted of the scanning of any bill when necessary to the determination of its effect.

In the Senate, unlike the House, most of the bills related to state matters. The referral to committee was not decisive since there were very few instances of a select Senate committee. The basic criterion employed in the case of Senate bills was the title.

All of the state bills were then closely examined. First, all of the state bills which died in their original committee were noted. Then, commencing with House Bill 1 an index card was made for

each bill which was not eliminated in the previous separation processes (*i.e.*, neither local nor D.I.C.). The card included a complete history of a bill from its introduction to its final passage or disposal. Particularly noted were: (1) by whom a bill was introduced; (2) the type of legislation; (3) all votes taken; (4) all motions made; (5) re-referrals to committee; (6) suspension of rules; (7) the appointment of a conference committee; (8) whether a bill died in the second house; and (9) the assignment of each bill to a review index category.

When the cataloging was complete, every bill introduced into the 1965 Maryland General Assembly appeared either on the list of local legislation or on the index cards of state legislation. The bills in each category were then tabulated and the following summary was prepared:

This exhibit portrays the legislative activity in the Maryland General Assembly for the session from January 20, 1965, through March 30, 1965.

BILLS INTRODUCED IN HOUSE OF DELEGATES	
State Legislation	
Passed both Houses	
Review Index "0"	255
Review Index "1"	18
Review Index "2"	17
Review Index "3"	6 ⁴⁴
Conference Committee	2 ⁴⁵
Total Passed Both Houses	298
Died in Senate	80
Died in Committee	350
Total State Legislation	728
Local Legislation	484
TOTAL LEGISLATION INTRODUCED IN HOUSE	1212

⁴¹ Senate bills 67-89 all concern only Caroline County.

⁴² Rules of the House of Delegates of Maryland 10 (1965) (rule 23).

⁴³ 1 MD. H. DEL. JOUR. 34 (1965).

⁴⁴ Cf. Appendix I.

⁴⁵ Cf. Appendix II.