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GOVERNOR'S SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE VEHICLE EMISSIONS INSPECTION PROGRAM

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The Governor's Special Committee on the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program was appointed by the Governor in August 1987. The Committee examined the State's options for a vehicle emissions inspection program and submitted its recommendations to the Governor in November 1987.

TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE WHITE CANE LAW

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At the request of the General Assembly, the Task Force to Study the White Cane Law was created by the Governor in July 1987 (Joint Resolution no. 5, Acts of 1986). The Task Force collected and examined data on administration and enforcement of the "White Cane Law" (Code 1957, Art. 30, sec. 33). The White Cane Law addresses the rights of blind or visually handicapped persons with regard to employment, public accommodations, and housing.

The Task Force conducted a needs assessment to determine whether the White Cane Law should be revised to include the private sector or enforced in a different manner to protect the rights of the blind or sight impaired. In December 1987, the Task Force reported its recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly.