

No. 12

(Senate Joint Resolution 6)

Joint Resolution requesting the State Roads Commission and the Director of Public Works of the City of Baltimore to confer together for the purpose of identifying and agreeing upon the primary highway system of the City of Baltimore, for ascertaining an adequate unit of cost for the operation and maintenance of such primary highway system and for considering a plan under which the State would include the improvement of the City's primary highway system in the State's program for the construction and reconstruction of State roads.

WHEREAS, During the course of an extensive review of the distribution of State funds to the political subdivisions, the Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters had made a careful study of the distribution of State funds to the City of Baltimore for the maintenance and improvement of the City's streets; and

WHEREAS, After intensive research the Committee has been unable to ascertain the basis upon which the present distribution of State highway funds to Baltimore City is made; and

WHEREAS, The Committee believes that funds granted to Baltimore City should be related to the cost of maintaining an adequate system of arterial and radial highways within the City; now, therefore be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the State Roads Commission and the Director of Public Works of Baltimore City be and they are hereby requested to confer together for the purpose of (1) identifying and agreeing upon the primary highway system of the City of Baltimore; (2) ascertaining an adequate unit of cost for the operation and maintenance of such primary highway system; and (3) considering a plan under which the State would include the improvement of the City's primary highway system in the State's program for the construction and reconstruction of State roads.

Such a plan should assure that the improvement of the City's primary highway system would at least be equal to any improvement program which would be possible under the present allocation of State highway funds to Baltimore City. The plan should also specify that funds for the improvement and maintenance of the City's primary highway system be paid to and expended by the City authorities if it is agreed that this is the most efficient way to carry out the program; and be it further

Resolved, That the State Roads Commission and the Director of Public Works of Baltimore City are requested to undertake this study at the earliest possible date with the objective that a report be made to the Legislative Council not later than October 1, 1958.

Approved April 4, 1958.

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.