

The members of the General Assembly are requesting the Governor of Maryland to establish administrative policies throughout the entire State government concerning the use of State-owned motor vehicles. It is felt that a re-evaluation of present policies is desirable in order to promote the more orderly processes of the administration of the State's affairs.

The particular phase of this problem which is of interest to the members of the General Assembly is that of the use of unmarked cars for private purposes. In general, it is the feeling of the legislative branch of the State government that there should be a strict policy that State-owned vehicles are not to be used for private purposes. With some exceptions, therefore, it probably would be wise to require that all State-owned vehicles be clearly identified as such. However, the members of the General Assembly can recognize some instances in which the State's business may be better performed in an unmarked car.

Because of the difficulties of setting up proper policies concerning the use of unmarked State cars, the members of the General Assembly are requesting the Governor to have the subject studied and by administrative order to establish a proper policy for the State. Such action would reassure our citizens of proper stewardship on the part of State officials and at the same time would not detrimentally affect the operating efficiency of the several departments in the State government; now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Governor be requested to establish proper administrative policies to assure generally that State-owned cars will not be used for private purposes, to make such exception in the rule for marking State vehicles as may be necessary in particular cases, and to provide for disciplinary action against any individual who may violate the rules set up.

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(Senate Joint Resolution 14)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the establishment of a study commission on city-county fiscal relationships.

WHEREAS, The General Assembly of Maryland notes that over the years there have been many studies of fiscal relationships in this State but none of fiscal relationships directly between the city and county governments. These are very important areas of government in Maryland with unsolved problems. Because these levels of

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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.