

WHEREAS, prior to 1933 there was a millpond known as Trappe Creek situated near Route 376 one mile east of Berlin in Worcester County, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, said pond was in those days a popular spot for hook and line fishing, swimming, and ice skating for both the old and the young; and

WHEREAS, the hurricane of 1933 did totally demolish the dam that held the water in Trappe Creek, leaving it dry, grossly unattractive, and useless in every respect; and

WHEREAS, Reconstruction of a dam at this point would provide water for irrigation and fire protection, serve as a mosquito control measure, help the water level of the soil, increase property values, be a forward step in game management or stocking with fresh water fish and be consistent with the announced plans of the State of Maryland to provide spots of scenic beauty and recreational areas for tourists near the highway of this State; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Inland Game and Fish Commission be authorized and directed to conduct a survey and make a study of the feasibility of reconstruction of a dam at Trappe Creek and that such survey determine and disclose the following facts; (a) The effect upon the surface drainage of water from affected farm lands; (b) The extent that any sources of pollution might affect the bodies of water thereby created; (c) Whether it would be most desirable and feasible to use such a pond as a bird and wildfowl refuge, or as a spot for stocking fresh water fish; (d) Estimate of cost of construction and the extent of Federal aid available, if any, toward same; and be it further

Resolved, That the Inland Game and Fish Commission in making such survey and study be authorized to utilize the services of the necessary technical personnel of the Water Pollution Commission, the State Planning Department, the Worcester County Soil Conservation District, and any other existing local, quasi-public and State agencies that may be beneficial in making said survey; and that the Commission report the results of its study and its recommendations to the Governor, the Legislative Council and the members of the General Assembly not later than October 15, 1961.

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(House Joint Resolution 57)

House Joint Resolution requesting the Legislative Council to appoint a sub-committee to study the problem of beach and shore erosion.

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*
 [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
 CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.
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