

*Resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Legislative Council, either through one of its own committees or through a special committee, be requested to study the problem of the excessive campaign expenditures of elections in the State of Maryland; and

*Be it further resolved,* That the Legislative Council be requested to report by the regular 1965 session of the General Assembly the results of its studies together with any recommended legislation in this area.

Approved April 7, 1964.

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No. 5

(Senate Joint Resolution 12)

Senate Joint Resolution to request the Legislative Council to direct its Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters to make a study of the Bureau of Revenue Estimates with the objective of possibly providing for a reorganization of the Bureau and the utilization by that Bureau of the expert services of the trained economists on the University of Maryland faculty to assist the Bureau in the effectuation of the diverse and complex revenue studies and projections it is called upon to perform on behalf of the Governor and the General Assembly in the areas, among others, of anticipated revenues, sources of revenues, new sources of revenues and the collection thereof.

WHEREAS, The rapid and unprecedented increase in the revenue needs of this State and the present and ever expanding sources from which such revenues must be sought present a complex economic picture which requires a most careful study by trained specialists in the field of economics in order to give these recondite matters the advantage of the most erudite analysis available, and

WHEREAS, The utilization of such trained economic specialists would permit the Bureau to broaden its research base and to more effectively collect, objectively evaluate and more realistically interpret past economic data to apply to current requirements, and to prognosticate with a greater degree of expertise future economic trends significant to the present and future welfare of the State, now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly,* That the Legislative Council direct its Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters to explore the practicability of and material advantages that might inure to the State by utilizing the expert services of the trained economic specialists from the instructional and research faculties of the University of Maryland to assist the Bureau of Revenue Estimates in carrying out its required duties; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Legislative Council be instructed to report back to the General Assembly on its findings as soon as possible.

Approved April 7, 1964.