

WHEREAS, A natural by-product of such a center of industry, population and traffic is polluted air; and

WHEREAS, It is a well established fact that several of the major health problems in the country today, as air pollutants are being produced and as a consequence inhaled in greater and greater amounts, are emphysema, cancer, and other diseases of the respiratory systems; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Government has demonstrated its concern by passing several acts to control air pollution; and

WHEREAS, There are many and various ways in which these toxic and noxious fumes may be diminished; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland should undertake an extensive study of possible phases of legislation which would lead to a control of air pollution, including tax credits for those industries which voluntarily undertake programs to reduce air pollution; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Governor be requested to appoint a ten member special legislative committee, evenly divided from members of both the House and Senate to study and recommend possible legislation for an air pollution abatement program; and be it further

*Resolved,* That this committee, so appointed, report back to the General Assembly prior to the 1967 Session; and be it further

*Resolved,* That copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable J. Millard Tawes, Governor.

Approved May 6, 1966.

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No. 25

(Senate Joint Resolution 32)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the General Assembly of the State of West Virginia to consider changes in that State's laws relating to alcoholic beverages.

The General Assembly of Maryland requests the General Assembly of the State of West Virginia to consider possible changes in the laws of that State which concern the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages. These changes have particular relation to differences between the alcoholic beverage laws of the two states and the consequent problems that arise in the State of Maryland.

In West Virginia, for example, State laws permit the sale of beer to persons eighteen years of age, while in Maryland, beer may be sold only to persons over twenty-one years of age.

Similarly, the laws of the State of West Virginia permit the sale of beer on Sunday, while the laws of some portions of Maryland, as in Allegany County, do not permit the sale of beer on Sunday.