

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Congress be urged to develop a method of Federal financing for airports and to establish guidelines for State and local subdivisions to follow in the expansion of airports to cope with the fast developing air industry; and be it further

*Resolved,* That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, the United States Senators from Maryland, and the Maryland members of the House of Representatives.

Approved May 2, 1969.

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No. 26

(House Joint Resolution 18)

House Joint Resolution directing the University of Maryland to establish a comprehensive program of courses in natural resource management.

The ever-expanding population in the Eastern United States has caused pressure to bear on the conservation of Maryland's natural resources. This expansion has also increased the importance of the State's assuring the best possible management of its invaluable natural resources. The State has recognized this need and has established the Department of Water Resources and the Board of Natural Resources and strengthened the Departments of Chesapeake Bay Affairs, Forests and Parks, the Game and Inland Fish Commission, the Maryland Geological Survey, and the Division of Environmental Health of the Department of Health.

Unfortunately these agencies have found it difficult to work up to maximum efficiency because of the insufficiency of trained personnel. This personnel problem results from the lack of persons trained in natural resource management in the State. This deficiency is caused by the non-existence of college and graduate courses in natural resources management in the public and private colleges of the State. These agencies are forced to look to states like Michigan, where the state university has an excellent program in this area, to fill these positions; therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland is directed to formulate and establish a comprehensive program of courses in natural resources management in order to meet the needs of the State; and be it further

*Resolved,* That copies of this Resolution be sent the Chairman and the members of the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland and the President of the University.

Approved May 2, 1969.