

recreational, and social life of the State, particularly in tidewater areas; and

WHEREAS, Recent developments indicate that the waterfowl resource is in serious jeopardy; and

WHEREAS, There is a feeling of urgency among the many thousands of individuals who benefit from this resource that certain immediate action is necessary; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

A. The Governor appoint the Maryland Waterfowl Study Commission.

1. The Commission shall consist of 12 members representing the various areas of the State. Said members shall be individuals who are currently involved in waterfowling, are in no way directly associated with either the State or Federal conservation agencies, and are willing to give of their time and energy to the State.
2. In addition to the 12 members the Director of the Division of Wildlife Management of the Department of Natural Resources shall be an ex-officio member.
3. The Governor shall from the membership of the Commission, designate the Chairman.
4. The Department of Natural Resources shall provide the Commission with the necessary secretarial and technical support, meeting rooms, and other necessities for their activities.

B. The Commission shall:

1. Accumulate, study, analyze and record the history of waterfowling within the State over the past 20 years.
2. Study and report upon existing conditions, such conditions to include, but not be limited to:
 1. Location of habitat, its ownership, and its availability for waterfowl use.