

plight of our senior citizens is not confined to one or two subdivisions, but is a Statewide problem that needs concerted Statewide action.

We would be remiss in our obligations to our senior citizens if we did not grant them this small privilege throughout this State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That this Body requests that Senior Citizens' Discount Cards be honored in every subdivision of this State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Governor of Maryland, the Commission on Aging, 1123 N. Eutaw Street, Baltimore, Maryland - 21201 and the Maryland State Chamber of Commerce, 22 Light Street, Baltimore, Maryland - 21202.

Approved April 22, 1975.

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No. 22

(Senate Joint Resolution 34)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

The Depletion of Agricultural Lands

FOR the purpose of requesting that the [[zoning regulations not require large acreages for home sites that deplete the remaining]] Departments of Agriculture, Health and Mental Hygiene and State Planning study the problem of whether zoning requirements establishing large acreages for home sites lead to a depletion of agricultural land.

A little noticed but potentially catastrophic crisis is nearing public recognition. This is the critical food shortage that exists throughout the world and even in some places of America. This crisis is very much like the energy crisis that has confronted this nation during the past two years. It involves a natural resource that we have tended to take for granted, and falsely believe is inexhaustible.

The number of acres of agricultural land that is available for planting have been steadily decreasing in this State. The press of the economic situation facing the farmer militates against expanding agricultural land. However, with the present state of growing technology,