

these substances.

WHEREAS, The surface and underground waters are a great natural resource of the State and its subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, The improper handling, storage, and waste disposal of hazardous and industrial materials will pollute the surface and underground waters of the State so as to be detrimental to their use for water supply, fish and aquatic life, and recreational uses; and

WHEREAS, Many industrial waste materials represent a potentially valuable recoverable resource, and the recovery and recycling of these waste materials is a valuable pollution control technique; and

WHEREAS, The Water Resources Administration has the legislative responsibility, authority and duty to investigate and control pollution of the waters of the State, and the Maryland Environmental Service has the charge to establish environmentally responsive facilities for proper handling and disposal of materials generated by industrial operations where adequate facilities are not available; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Water Resources Administration report to the Legislative Council by November 1, 1975, on its evaluation and program for the control and methods of safely handling the storage and disposal of liquid, semi-liquid and solid industrial and hazardous materials, and to establish criteria for safe disposal sites, and to specify the resource needs to carry out the intent of this Resolution, and that the Maryland Environmental Service also report to the Senate, by January 31, 1976, its recommendations for a program to establish facilities to handle, dispose of, and recycle industrial and hazardous materials and to seek and administer loans and grants from the federal government and other sources for this purpose; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Governor; the Honorable James B. Coulter, Secretary of the State Department of Natural Resources; and the Legislative Council.

Approved April 22, 1975.