

WHEREAS, The most effective manner in which this nation can lessen its dependence on foreign nations is to lessen its consumption of energy in an organized plan of conservation; and

WHEREAS, The state governments and public officials of this nation have a responsibility to establish leadership and example in the efforts of the nation to conserve its energy consumption; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Governor is requested to establish a committee to examine the energy needs of the State government, and to have the committee design an energy conservation plan which will reduce the energy consumption of the State government by 10 percent; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the committee report its findings and plans no later than January 1, 1977, to the General Assembly of Maryland for appropriate action; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent by the Secretary of State (under the Great Seal of the State of Maryland) to the Honorable Jack Hewitt, Director, Energy Policy Office, Fifth Regiment Armory, Baltimore, Maryland 21201; and Mr. Simon McQue, Liaison for Energy Matters, Office of the Lieutenant Governor, State House, Annapolis, Maryland 21404; and the Honorable Norman Stone, Jr., Chairman, AELR Committee, P.O. Box 348, Jeffrey Building, 16 Francis Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21404.

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(House Joint Resolution No. 23)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Transporting of Hazardous Materials

FOR the purpose of requesting the State Department of Transportation, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the Department of Natural Resources to form a Task Force to formulate recommendations for consolidating into one State agency the authority to regulate and supervise the transporting of hazardous materials through Maryland; providing for consultations with other State agencies; directing that the recommendations provide for a coordinated response plan for emergencies and for the training of personnel involved in the inspection and handling of hazardous materials; requiring that the