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{House Joint Resolution No. 163}

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Commission on [[Local Government -]] Special
Taxing Districts

FOR the purpose of requesting the appointment of a commission to study [[local government in Maryland, with particular emphasis on]] special taxing districts in Maryland.

In the post World War II era, the State of Maryland has been one of the leaders throughout the nation in taking a positive, thoughtful approach to local government. For instance, in 1954, the citizens of Maryland approved a Constitutional Amendment which gave the municipal corporations throughout the State broad Home Rule powers. Code Home Rule and Chartered Government have dealt in a profound manner with local county government in the past several decades.

One area of local government which has so far escaped review has been that of the Special District. While the number of municipal corporations and counties has remained static in recent years, every year or two sees the creation of an additional Special District. A thorough review of these Districts would seem to be a good idea; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That a commission be established to study the problems of [[local government in Maryland, with particular emphasis on]] Special Districts and their creation, administration, and termination; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commission contain at least the following members, to be selected by the Speaker of the House of Delegates and the President of the Senate:

1. Maryland Technical Advisory Service of the University of Maryland, College Park.
2. Maryland Municipal League, Maryland Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
3. A representative of the Maryland Municipal Attorney's Association[; and be it further].