

FOR the purpose of requesting the Maryland Department of Agriculture to encourage the farmers of Maryland to grow sunflowers as an agricultural crop.

WHEREAS, A new variety of high oil producing sunflower seed has been introduced in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Sunflower oil has been shown to be a profitable oilseed crop for farmers, surpassing soybeans in productivity; and

WHEREAS, Sunflowers are easily produced on Maryland soil and do not deplete the farmland; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Maryland Department of Agriculture develop a program to encourage Maryland farmers to grow sunflowers and to aid in the conversion of cropland to the production of sunflowers; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Secretary of Agriculture, Parole Plaza Shopping Center, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Signed April 10, 1979.

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(House Joint Resolution No. 23)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Interstate Public ~~Service Commission~~ Utility
Advisory ~~Committee~~ Commission

FOR the purpose of requesting the establishment of an Interstate Public ~~Service Commission~~ Utility Advisory ~~Committee~~ Commission with the responsibility of determining whether there is a need and if it is feasible to create an interstate utility regulatory agency.

WHEREAS, There are several gas and electric companies servicing Maryland and the surrounding states; and

WHEREAS, There is a growing public concern over gas and electric rates; and

WHEREAS, The gas and electric companies servicing surrounding states as well as Maryland are governed both by the Public Service Commission in Maryland and the comparable body in the other states that the company services; and