(House Joint Resolution No. 36)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Groundwater Study - Quality and Quantity

FOR the purpose of requesting the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to report to the General Assembly on the current status of the quality and quantity of Maryland groundwater supplies on or before a certain date.

WHEREAS, The groundwater supply in Maryland is a large source of the industrial, agricultural and residential water supply; and

WHEREAS, The continued development and use of the State's groundwater supply is essential to the economy and the general welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Maryland is a heavily industrialized and urbanized State which has the potential of degrading the groundwater supply by the improper disposal of waste materials; and

WHEREAS, The quantity and quality of Maryland's groundwater is of vital interest to all of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Planning for the conservation, development and management of the groundwater supply in the State must be undertaken and coordinated through the Water Resources Administration in the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is requested to report to the General Assembly on the current status of the quality and quantity of State groundwater supply on or before January 1, 1982; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable James Clark, Jr., President of the Maryland Senate; the Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin, Speaker of the House of Delegates; Dr. Charles Buck, Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; and James B. Coulter, Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, Tawes State Office Building, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Signed May 12, 1981.