

thermal utilization of the geothermal resource. Transportation of groundwater off a particular surface parcel may be precluded under reasonable use if damage results to the other users of the common supply. There is no recourse to priority. This limitation could operate as a severe limitation to small-scale projects involving production on one parcel and use on another; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Department of Natural Resources report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly no later than December 1, 1981; and be it further

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

Signed May 12, 1981.

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No. 29

(House Joint Resolution No. 25)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Annual Maryland Energy Report

FOR the purpose of requesting that the Maryland Energy Administration make a report on or before a certain date ~~each-year~~ to the General Assembly of Maryland concerning the overall status of energy conservation programs and resources.

WHEREAS, The cost of energy in Maryland and in the United States is expected to rise rapidly; and

WHEREAS, We are still faced with an energy crisis; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly intends to continue its response to the pressing needs of the citizens of Maryland in this critical issue; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly desires to monitor the State's energy usage and conservation programs in order to make legislative determinations related to these programs with a fuller understanding of existing circumstances and future trends; and

WHEREAS, It is the responsibility of the Maryland Energy Administration within the Department of Natural