

in a Delegate district, access originally inadvertently limited by an unbridged body of water.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Joint Resolution shall not be construed to preclude the adoption of any other plan setting forth the boundaries for legislative districts pursuant to the provisions of the fourth and fifth sentences of Article III, Section 5, of the Constitution of Maryland and shall be effective as a plan within the meaning of those provisions only if no other plan is adopted by the General Assembly pursuant to those provisions by the 45th day of the 1982 regular Session.

Signed April 13, 1982.

No. 2

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 44)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Maryland National Guard

FOR the purpose of expressing the sense of the General Assembly of Maryland that members of the National Guard of the United States and the Reserve Forces of the Armed Forces of the United States deserve public recognition for their vital contribution to our national defense and that members of these forces need the support and cooperation of their civilian employers in order to train and remain ready to respond to national emergencies.

WHEREAS, The National Guard and Reserve Forces of the United States are an integral part of our total force policy for national defense and need to be ready to respond, on short notice to augment our Active Forces in national emergencies; and in the case of the National Guard, to provide for the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Maryland in the event of a State emergency.

WHEREAS, Attracting and retaining sufficient numbers of people to serve in the Guard and Reserve in a no-draft environment is a difficult challenge.

WHEREAS, The support of employers and firstline supervisors to grant reservist-employees time off for military training without detriment to earned vacation, promotions, and job benefits is essential for securing a strong Guard and Reserve Force; now, therefore, be it