

WHEREAS, The residents of Somerset and Dorchester counties have a continuing and severe problem due to the presence of swarms of mosquitos during the warmer months of the year; and

WHEREAS, The mosquito causes a widespread health problem to any person who works, plays, or happens to be out of doors during these months; and

WHEREAS, The presence of mosquitos makes worse the already severe economic problems of Dorchester and Somerset counties; and

WHEREAS, The mosquito generally is a nuisance; and

WHEREAS, There is a need to use larvicide spraying to control the mosquito before it becomes an adult; and

WHEREAS, There is a need for a coordinated effort between the federal and State governments and private enterprise in the control of the spread of mosquitos; and

WHEREAS, Time is of the essence in finding a solution to this problem; and

WHEREAS, Previous attempts to control the spread of mosquitos have all met with limited and disappointing results; and

WHEREAS, The State Departments of Agriculture, Economic and Community Development, Health and Mental Hygiene, and Natural Resources should all be involved in a comprehensive effort to control the spread of mosquitos; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Governor is requested to establish a committee to study and investigate effective ways to control the spread of mosquitos in Somerset and Dorchester counties; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the committee be composed of:

(1) 1 member of the House of Delegates appointed by the Speaker of the House and 1 member of the Senate of Maryland appointed by the President; and 1 member of the County Commissioners of Dorchester County and 1 member of the County Commissioners of Somerset County; and

(2) A representative of each of the following departments, appointed by the Secretary of the appropriate department:

(i) Department of Agriculture;