

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Board of County Commissioners of Cecil County is urged to study the possibility of the creation of a "Volunteer Length of Service Award Program" for members of the Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Services in Cecil County; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the General Assembly of Maryland requests that a copy of the findings and recommendations on the subject be sent to the members of the Cecil County delegation to the General Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the County Commissioners of Cecil County, 101 County Office Building, Elkton, Maryland 21921, and to Mr. Larry Storke, Cecil County Firemen's Association, 302 Hollingsworth Street, Elkton, Maryland 21921.

Signed May 10, 1983.

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No. 26

(House Joint Resolution No. 52)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Chesapeake Bay - Maryland's Seafood Industry - Finfish

FOR the purpose of requesting the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review and the Secretary of Natural Resources to study and monitor certain laws, rules, and regulations of this State concerning the tidal finfish fisheries of the Chesapeake Bay; and setting forth a policy by the General Assembly of Maryland regarding the restoration, protection, and enhancement of finfish in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.

WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, which comprise one-fifth of Maryland, are one of the most productive estuaries in the nation and contribute materially to the well-being of all Maryland citizens; and

WHEREAS, A survey of Maryland's citizens conducted by the University of Maryland in 1980 ranked the Maryland seafood industry as the most important use of the Chesapeake Bay; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland seafood industry, with its genesis in the watermen of the Chesapeake Bay, gives rise to the image of a "Land of Pleasant Living"; and

WHEREAS, The image of the "Land of Pleasant Living" is used to attract tourists and commerce; and