

WHEREAS, Many of the marshes originally found along the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries have been destroyed due to dredging and filling; and

WHEREAS, The loss of marshland has contributed to the decline of the ecological health of the Chesapeake Bay; and

WHEREAS, Additional marshland will help restore the ecological health of the Bay; and

WHEREAS, The policy of the Department of Natural Resources is to discourage the use of dredged material for marsh creation in favor of upland disposal; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Secretary of Natural Resources, by September 1, 1984 is urged to revise the current policy on dredged material placement to give equal preference to the use of dredged material for marsh creation or upland disposal if the grain size and proposed location are suitable for marsh creation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of Natural Resources should specify the grain size distribution and the type of areas suitable for marsh creation, including the provision that areas used should be unvegetated by submerged aquatic vegetation or marsh plants; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Harry Hughes, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable Melvin A. Steinberg, President of the Senate of Maryland; the Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin, Speaker of the House of Delegates and; Dr. Torrey C. Brown, Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, Tawes State Office Building, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Signed May 15, 1984.

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No. 10

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 26)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

~~Commission-on~~ The Study of Financing for Senior Citizen Housing

FOR the purpose of requesting the Governor--~~to--establish--a~~ Maryland Housing Policy Commission to study and make recommendations on how the State can develop a program for financing construction and rehabilitation of housing for senior citizens; and generally relating to ~~establishing--a~~ Commission--on the study of Financing for Senior Citizen Housing.