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(House Joint Resolution No. 37)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Publicly Owned Treatment Works

FOR the purpose of requesting the Governor and the Legislative Policy Committee to establish a committee to study anticipated sewage treatment needs in Maryland; to examine alternative means of assuring that adequate funding is available to address sewage treatment needs; to study the potential for private sector involvement in the funding, construction, and operation of sewage treatment plants; providing for the composition and chairman of the committee; providing for staff for the committee; and requiring a report by a certain date.

WHEREAS, The Maryland General Assembly's concern over the continued health of the Chesapeake Bay prompted the passage of comprehensive initiatives in 1984 aimed at restoring water quality in the Bay; and

WHEREAS, The provision of adequate sewage treatment is essential to reducing the levels of nutrients and other pollutants entering the Chesapeake; and

WHEREAS, It is important that the State of Maryland, in partnership with local governments, assure the availability of adequate funding to meet anticipated sewage treatment needs; and

WHEREAS, Private sector involvement in the provision of sewage treatment needs may, in some circumstances, be advantageous; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Legislative Policy Committee ~~is~~ and the Governor are requested to establish a committee to study anticipated sewage treatment needs in Maryland and alternative means ~~for the provision thereof of assuring that adequate funding is available to address sewage treatment needs, and to study the potential for private sector involvement in the funding, construction, and operation of sewage treatment plants;~~ and be it further

RESOLVED, That the committee be composed of:

(1) 3 2 members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House, and 3 2 members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) 2 representatives of local government, appointed by the Governor;