

WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

RESOLVED, That the task force shall study safety issues related to the operation of trucks in the State, and that the study shall include:

(1) An examination of the causes and effect of accidents involving trucks, and an evaluation of the strategies for minimizing such accidents;

(2) A study of means of improving driver education for truck drivers;

(3) An examination of the penalties that may be assessed for violations of the Maryland Vehicle Law by truck drivers;

(4) A study of the feasibility of requiring an annual inspection for certain classifications of trucks;

~~(5) An assessment of the procedures used for regulating the transportation of hazardous materials in the State, including drivers' qualifications;~~

(5) An assessment of the procedures used for regulating the transportation of hazardous materials including drivers' qualifications, substance identification, and hazardous material abatement and containment;

(6) An examination of the relationship of the federal commercial zone classification to enforcement of truck safety; and

(6) (7) An examination of the impact of interstate trucking on Maryland highway safety and of methods, such as cooperative interstate compacts, that may be employed to insure that highway safety is not jeopardized by trucks passing through the State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That staff for the task force be provided by the Governor's office; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Reference to the Honorable William K. Hellmann, Secretary of Transportation, P.O. Box 8755, Baltimore-Washington International Airport, Baltimore, Maryland 21240; Mr. Marshall Rickert, Motor Vehicle Administrator, 6601 Ritchie Highway, N.E., Glen Burnie, Maryland 21062; the Honorable Frank O. Heinz, Chairperson of the Public Service Commission, American Building, 231 E. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202; the Superintendent of the Maryland State Police, Headquarters, Pikesville, Maryland 21208; Mr. Edward J. Muhl, Insurance Commissioner, State Insurance Division, 501 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, Maryland 21202; Mr. Vincent H. Howley, Executive Director, Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund, 1750