

Menes, Minnick, Mitchell, Montfort, Mooney, Mothershead, Murphy, Nice, Nimmer-
 richter, Nock, O'Brien, Orlinsky, Osborne, Pine, Price, Randolph, Reed, Remsberg,
 Resnick, Rummage, Rush, Rutkowski, Rynd, Santangelo, Sarbanes, Scarff, Schirano,
 Scott, Silk, Sloan, Smelser, Snyder, Spector, Staszak, Staten, Steffey, Steinberg,
 Stone, Thomason, Tyler, Virts, Walters, Warfield, Waxter, Weile, Weisengoff, Welcome,
 Whalen, White, Whitney, Williams, Wineland, Wisner, Wright, Wyatt, Yingling, Zander.
 Total Present—180

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Annapolis, Md., January 7, 1969.

Honorable C. Stanley Blair
 Secretary of State
 State House
 Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Secretary Blair:

Due to my election on November 5, 1968 as Vice President of the United States, I hereby resign the office of Governor of Maryland to take effect at 1:00 p.m., January 7, 1969. By copies of this letter to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates, I am advising both Houses of the Maryland General Assembly of my resignation.

Sincerely,

/s/ Spiro T. Agnew,
 Governor.

Which was read.

ORDER

By James A. Pine, Chairman:

Ordered by the Joint Session of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, That a Committee on Rules be appointed with the following membership: Hon. George E. Snyder, Chairman; Hon. J. Joseph Curran, Jr.; Hon. Edward T. Conroy; Hon. Roy N. Staten; Hon. Edward T. Hall; Hon. Martin A. Kircher, Vice Chairman; Hon. Carter M. Hickman; Hon. Frederick C. Rummage, and Hon. Rosalie S. Abrams.

Read and adopted.

The rules committee was excused by the Chairman so that it could meet.

The chairman announced that it was then 1:00 P.M. and the office of the Governor of Maryland was vacant.

REPORT OF THE RULES COMMITTEE

Senator Snyder for the Rules Committee reported favorably the following: