

No. 46

(Senate Joint Resolution 63)

Senate Joint Resolution expressing the concern of the Maryland General Assembly over the rapid rise of [[food]] ALL prices and urging the President and the Congress of the United States to take prompt corrective measures.

WHEREAS, The rate of inflation as measured by wholesale prices reached its highest point since 1951 during the month of February, 1973; and

WHEREAS, [[Farm products and]] wholesale[[]] [[food]] AND RETAIL prices led the way upward as they have for months; and

WHEREAS, The rate of inflation for wholesale prices during the month of February, 1973, adjusted for seasonal fluctuations in the overall wholesale price index works out to an annual inflation rate of 19.2%; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Labor has declared that [[wholesale farm and]] food prices for February, 1973, were 19.1% above the February, 1972, rate; and

WHEREAS, It is recognized that these prices are affected by many factors including production costs, labor, packaging, transportation, corporate profits, taxes and others; and

WHEREAS, The rate of inflation and the rise in [[food]] ALL prices has been quickening; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the President and the Congress of the United States be aware of the concern of this body over the rapid rise of [[food]] ALL prices and that this Body urge the President to take prompt corrective measures; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate be requested to send one copy of this Resolution to the Honorable Richard M. Nixon, President of the United States, the White House, Washington, D.C.; The Honorables Charles McC. Mathias, Jr., and J. Glenn Beall, Jr., Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510; The Honorables William O. Mills, Clarence D. Long, Paul Sarbanes, Marjorie S. Holt, Lawrence J. Hogan, Goodloe E. Byron, Parren J. Mitchell, and Gilbert Gude, House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Approved May 21, 1973.

No. 47

(Senate Joint Resolution 66)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates to appoint a Committee consisting of members of the General Assembly and other to study the feasibility of Administrative Adjudication and the transfer of parking and minor traffic violations from the District Court to administrative agencies.

WHEREAS, The President of the United States and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court recommended to the National Conference on the Judiciary to "clear the courts of the endless stream of victimless crimes that get in the way of