

WHEREAS, Legislation must be enacted to counter this policy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the General Assembly of Maryland urges the Maryland Congressional Delegation to support all measures that would change the policy of taxing agricultural land at market value for estate tax purposes, provided that such legislation include a provision by which State and local governments could recapture the tax savings on any land not returned to agricultural use; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Maryland Congressional Delegation: Senators Charles McC. Mathias, Jr. and J. Glenn Beall, Jr., Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510; Representatives Robert E. Bauman, Clarence D. Long, Paul S. Sarbanes, Marjorie S. Holt, Gladys W. Spellman, Goodloe E. Byron, Parren J. Mitchell, and Gilbert Gude, House Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20515.

Approved April 8, 1975.

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No. 17

(House Joint Resolution 22)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Revenue Sharing from Offshore Leases

FOR the purpose of urging the Congress of the United States to provide adequate compensation out of Federal offshore exploration and development lease revenues to those states which will be required to incur additional costs for the purpose of dealing with the environmental, social and economic consequences of active exploration for and development of energy source deposits in undersea areas adjacent to their shores.

WHEREAS, The problems of assuring adequate supplies of energy in the United States and of reducing dependence upon imported fuels have brought about great and continuing interest in the development of energy source deposits, including petroleum and natural gas, lying beneath the waters of the outer continental shelf; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Government has leased and, under the circumstances, probably will continue to lease