

WHEREAS, The Department of Fiscal Services has prepared, under the supervision of the Joint Budget and Audit Committee, a paper—"Analysis and Evaluation of the Statewide Budget Procedures"—setting forth in detail alternative budget procedures for consideration by the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly's ongoing self-examination should be directed to the study of the legislative role in the process by which the State budget and programs are developed, approved, and executed and of the manner in which the Legislature oversees the laws that it enacts. The study should result in a recommendation of a process by which the General Assembly's fiscal and nonfiscal committees coordinate periodic reviews designed to guarantee that the State's programs are achieving intended results and delivering intended services to intended beneficiaries in an effective and efficient manner and that the State's agencies and departments are accountable to the General Assembly and the public; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Policy Committee direct [[a review of the budget process and]] an analysis of the report of the Joint Budget and Audit Committee entitled "Analysis and Evaluation of Statewide Procedures" and a review of legislative oversight and issue a written report to the General Assembly with its findings, including such proposed legislation and rules as are necessary to implement its findings, by no later than December 1, 1976; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Delegates and President of the Senate, after receiving recommendations from the Joint Budget and Audit Committee, the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review, the House Committee on Appropriations, and the Senate Committee on Budget and Taxation, appoint members of the General Assembly, employees of the State, and representatives of the public as they deem necessary to assist in the preparation of this report.

*Not signed by the Governor.
