

factors and many others could and should be part of a re-study and possible fresh approach to the public school system of Maryland; now therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Governor of Maryland and the Legislative Council of Maryland be requested each to appoint an equal number of members of a Commission to make a complete re-study and re-evaluation of the philosophy and practice of the finances of the public school system; and be it further

*Resolved*, That this Commission when appointed be of such size and composition as to be fairly representative of all interests and sections of the State of Maryland, containing persons who are conversant with school problems and other public affairs; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Commission be requested to submit its report and recommendations to the Governor and to the Legislative Council not later than October 1, 1960, in order that the report and recommendations then may be considered at the 1961 Session of the General Assembly of Maryland.

Approved March 23, 1960.

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No. 17

(House Joint Resolution 8)

House Joint Resolution directing the Legislative Council to study and report, with recommendations, for a comprehensive program for future State revenue resources.

WHEREAS, The Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters of the Legislative Council has completed a study entitled "A Long-Range Projection of Maryland State General Fund Revenues and Appropriations" and has recommended that "the study be extended in order to obtain a long-range view of the problem of future needs of government within the State of Maryland and of the total revenue resources which may be available to meet those needs"; and

WHEREAS, Many of the counties and municipalities of the State are searching for additional sources of revenue to support the cost of local government, including public education, without requiring excessive use of the property tax; and

WHEREAS, There has not been a truly comprehensive study of State aid, shared taxes, and local taxing powers since the Report of the Maryland Commission on the Distribution of Tax Revenues, generally known as the Sherbow Commission, in 1946; now therefore be it

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.