

## JOINT RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, The development of improved and expanded transit facilities, consisting of rail rapid transit and bus service operating as a unified and coordinated regional transit system, the alleviation of present and future traffic congestion, the economic welfare and vitality and development of the metropolitan area of Baltimore, comprising Baltimore City, Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County is important to the Metropolitan Area, and

WHEREAS, Such a regional transit system cannot be achieved by the unilateral action of any one of Baltimore City, Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County, and

WHEREAS, The Mass Transit Steering Committee has been engaged in the study of this matter and has recommended legislation in the form of House Bill 792, and

WHEREAS, House Bill 792 has been referred to the Legislative Council for further study and recommendations for legislation; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the General Assembly considers the matter of mass and rapid transit, in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area to be of such concern as to require continued and detailed study; and, be it further

*Resolved,* That such study be by a special committee of the Legislative Council and the Mass Transit Steering Committee and such other agencies, departments, local governments and persons as are necessary to accomplish this purpose.

Approved May 7, 1968.

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No. 62\*

(House Joint Resolution 66)

House Joint Resolution proposing the appointment of a special committee to conduct an in-depth study of the Maryland Sales and Use Taxes, the Admissions Tax and other related taxes.

WHEREAS, The Commission on State and County Finance which reported to the Governor and the General Assembly in 1965 made proposals with respect to the Maryland Sales and Use Taxes to improve their equity, to lessen their detrimental effects upon economic development, and to provide better compliance and simplified administration; and

WHEREAS, The various programs of legislation considered by the General Assembly since that date have not fully achieved these goals; and

WHEREAS, The Joint Legislative-Executive Committee to study Taxation and Fiscal Problems, in its report to the Governor and the General Assembly, dated January 1, 1968, has "recommended that