

R052-0910

10 A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE DOVER BRIDGE

20 **WHEREAS:** The Dover Bridge connects Talbot and Caroline County together,
30 built in 1932, the swing bridge is out of date and has major structure
40 problems, and,

50 **WHEREAS:** The bridge has caused major delays by becoming stuck in the summer
60 time and too icy in the winter, and,

70 **WHEREAS:** Is one of only four historic swing spans left in the state, and,

80 **WHEREAS:** The current layout of this bridge includes two narrow lanes that limit
90 vehicles sizes and higher MPH, and,

100 **WHEREAS:** Replacing this bridge with a new, higher spanning bridge would help
110 with traffic on the roads and on the Choptank river, and,

120 **WHEREAS:** Increasing traffic flow on route 331 to and from Talbot and Caroline
130 County.

140 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Maryland Student Legislature
150 encourages the start of a study into replacing the Dover bridge with a
160 new bridge.

170 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That this replacement bridge cooperative effort
180 between the Counties of Talbot and Caroline, the State of
190 Maryland, and the federal government.

200 **MANDATES:**

210 Governor Martin O'Malley, State of Maryland

220 Secretary Beverley K. Swaim-Staley, Maryland Department of Transportation

230 Secretary Ray LaHood, United States Department of Transportation

240 Representative Frank Kratovil, United States Congress

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