

A104-0910

10 A RESOLUTION CONCERNING

20 **INVASIVE SPECIES-NEED FOR A ERADICATION OF KUDZU**

30 **WHEREAS:** For the purpose of ridding the state of Maryland of the invasive species *Pueraria* 40  
40 *Montana*, common name Kudzu, which is growing more common in the Southeast United States; and,

50 **WHEREAS:** Kudzu has been proven to damage crops, with average estimates reaching \$500 million  
60 dollars annually as well as effects local plants and infrastructure in a given area where it grows out  
70 of control.

80 **BE IT RESOLVED:** The Maryland Student Legislature shall encourage the removal and control of Kudzu  
90 within the state of Maryland through various methods including but not limited to crown removal,  
100 grazing, controlled firing, and fungal herbicide.

110 **MANDATES:**

120 Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar

130 Maryland State Senator Joan Carter Conway, Chair of the Education, Health, and Environment  
140 Committee

150 Maryland State Senator Roy Dyson, Vice Chair of the Education, Health, and Environment  
160 Committee

170 Shari T. Wilson, Maryland Secretary of the Environment

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