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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

143rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28

REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ENACT AN ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION OR POLICY REGARDING LITTERING.

1 WHEREAS, littering causes public health problems, is an eyesore on the roadways in the State and is downright  
2 offensive; and

3 WHEREAS, in the 1970-80s DeIDOT initiated the "Pitch-In Program" designed to encourage motorists to pitch their trash  
4 in designated barrels along Delaware's major routes; and

5 WHEREAS, on April 25, 1990, Delaware's Adopt-a-Highway Program was initiated; and

6 WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation has the monumental task to keep the roads free of debris, removing litter  
7 on and within 10 feet of the roadway, utilizing prison inmates, its own maintenance staff in each county and 800+ volunteers who  
8 participate in the Adopt-a-Highway Program; and

9 WHEREAS, Delaware sees a peak in trash during the summer due to the many people visiting and during major events  
10 like the NASCAR races in Dover and the Delaware State Fair in Harrington; and

11 WHEREAS, those convicted of littering currently receive a small fine and perhaps community service, depending on the  
12 offense; and

13 WHEREAS, the placing of a point on the driver's record upon the conviction of littering may be a more effective deterrent  
14 to the act of littering.

15 NOW, THEREFORE:

16 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 143<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the Senate  
17 concurring therein, that the Secretary of the Department of Transportation Nathan Hayward is encouraged, by regulation or policy,  
18 to penalize all drivers convicted of littering by assessing a point on that driver's license for each offense.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitably prepared copy of this Resolution be given to Secretary Nathan Hayward.