

## No. 23

## (House Joint Resolution 31)

Joint Resolution requesting the Committee on Medical Care, through the State Planning Commission, to study the problem of establishing the policies and financial responsibility of the State and of its subdivisions as to medical treatment and care services and to make recommendations on this question to the Legislative Council.

WHEREAS, The division of financial responsibility between the State and its subdivisions for financing medical treatment and care services is confused by the absence of a prescribed formula; and

WHEREAS, Uncertainty results from the lack of a clear understanding as to which services rendered are a local or a State responsibility; and

WHEREAS, There is a need for a coordination of the financing of medical treatment and care services and the local general supporting services; and

WHEREAS, It is the judgment of the General Assembly that the Committee on Medical Care, through the State Planning Commission, could provide a valuable study and recommendations on the question; now therefore be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Committee on Medical Care, through the State Planning Commission, be requested to give detailed and adequate study to the respective roles of the State and its subdivisions in establishing the policies and financial responsibilities for medical treatment and care services; and be it further

*Resolved,* That consideration be given to applying the present formula for the financing of General Local Health Services, to the financing of medical treatment and care services; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Committee on Medical Care, through the State Planning Commission, furnish a report to the Legislative Council by April 1, 1959, and that the Legislative Council give consideration to adjusting the revenue sources of the State and its subdivisions and the distribution of revenues; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Legislative Council report the results of this study to the General Assembly and include therein recommendations for an equitable solution to this problem.

Approved April 4, 1958.

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.