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The Governor appointed the Task Force on Mentally Ill Offenders in May 1985. The Task Force was to determine how many criminal offenders need mental health care, what kind of care is required, and where services should be available. The Task Force also was to estimate the projected need, for the next three years, of mental health care services for prisoners.

The Task Force made an interim report in November 1985. After reviewing mental health care services, both private and public, the Task Force made its final report in December 1986.

#### **MOBILE HOME STUDY COMMISSION**

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The Commission has been inactive since 1985.

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The Governor created the Nursing Committee for Validation Criteria in March 1985. The Committee was asked to find common objectives of applicants for a Bachelor of Science in Nursing program and to formulate those objectives into a statewide model.

The Committee reviewed curriculum materials from the fourteen Maryland colleges offering associate degree programs, and the three hospital-based schools offering diploma registered nurse programs. On the basis of this review, the Committee recommended a statewide "articulation"

program. The program gives nursing students, in both associate degree and diploma programs, the proper course background with which to apply to colleges and universities that offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.

The Committee submitted its report in August 1985.

#### **PRODUCTIVITY PLANNING COMMITTEE**

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The Committee submitted its report to the Governor in March 1985. The Committee concluded that a long-range comprehensive approach to productivity and quality of working life requires an immediate and continuing commitment from the Governor and the executive branch of government.

#### **JOINT EXECUTIVE/LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON RABIES**

*Co-Chairperson:* : Donald E. MacLauchlan

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The Governor and Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly created the Joint Executive/Legislative Task Force on Rabies in May 1985 (Joint Resolution no. 19, Acts of 1985). The Task Force considered various ways of controlling rabies in Maryland.

In its October 1985 report, the Task Force recommended that State funds be allocated to enable the Department of Natural Resources to respond to reports of rabid or suspected rabid wildlife. The Task Force also proposed legislation to clarify wildlife possession laws and regulations.