

NO. 24.

Joint Resolution authorizing the appointment by the Governor of an unpaid and non-partisan Commission to investigate and study conditions affecting the youth of this State, and to consider plans to assist this portion of our population in obtaining more adequate industrial, recreational and educational opportunities.

WHEREAS, An intensive study of problems affecting the youth of this State is now being conducted by the American Youth Commission, a non-governmental agency, working under the direction of the American Council of Education; and

WHEREAS, It is the opinion of many thoughtful citizens that much of the anti-social behavior of youth is attributable to the lack of employment and want of other opportunities by our young people; and

WHEREAS, The factual information resulting from the study now being made by the American Youth Commission will bear directly on the prevalence of crime, industrial opportunities and the educational and recreational needs affecting the youth of this State; and

WHEREAS, It is desirable that there should be a body of interested citizens to receive, consider, and make effective the recommendations in such study as may be applicable at this time; therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Governor be and is hereby authorized to appoint a body of not more than fifteen persons who shall constitute a Commission known as the Maryland Youth Commission. The members of said Commission to serve without pay and shall be named without regard to political affiliation; and be it further

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of said Commission to receive and study the report of the American Youth Commission and such other data as may be available, and to recommend to the next General Assembly such plans as may be considered necessary to meet existing needs; and be it further

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Commission to prepare a report of its recommendations and submit same to the Governor not later than December 31st, 1938, for transmission by the Governor to the General Assembly; and be it further

Resolved, That whatever expenses the Commission shall incur shall be defrayed out of their own funds and not at the expense of the State.

Approved May 18, 1937.