

WHEREAS, according to the cost of living index records issued by the United States Department of Labor, the cost of living increased by 7% from July 1, 1956 to July 1, 1958; and

WHEREAS, the new pay scales for State employees generally do not reflect this increase in the cost of living; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of the General Assembly of Maryland that past selective and general pay increases for State employees have only temporarily relieved, and have not solved, the perennial problem of relating the compensation of State employees to the changes in the cost of living indexes, and a permanent method of keeping such pay scales adjusted to the cost of living index should eliminate the necessity for general pay increases; now therefore be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the State Employees Standard Salary Board is hereby requested to (1) study the need, if any, for a cost of living increase in the pay scales for all State employees, as such pay scales are designated in "Plan No. 2" of said Board which became effective on March 4, 1959; and (2) study the desirability of permanently adjusting the pay scales of State employees to the cost of living index as issued from time to time by the United State Department of Labor, or any appropriate or comparable Federal agency to which such function may be transferred in the future, with provisions for automatic increases or decreases in the basic pay scales for State employees as such cost of living index may increase or decrease; and be it further*

*Resolved, That the said State Employees Standard Salary Board be and it is hereby requested to report the results of its study of this problem to the 1959 Legislative Council, not later than October 1, 1959, and to the 1960 Session of the General Assembly of Maryland.*

Approved April 28, 1959.

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No. 30

(House Joint Resolution 7)

A House Joint Resolution requesting the Governor to appoint a commission to study the general insurance laws and recommend such amendments thereto as it may deem advisable.

WHEREAS, The General Assembly has considered from time to time various proposed amendments to the general insurance laws, some of which have not been acted upon due to the lack of time for

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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.