

liaison with the National Council of Physical Fitness, and to make recommendations for specific steps and a specific program for the State of Maryland to handle the problem of youth fitness in our State; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland, the State Board of Education, the Boards of Education of the several counties of the State of Maryland, the State Planning Commission, the State Department of Health, **THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS OF RECREATION WITHIN THE STATE**, and all State agencies be and they are hereby requested to give all possible assistance and information to said Commission for the purpose of conducting said study, ~~including but not limited to the production of such actuarial data and analyses as the Commission may require~~; and be it further

*Resolved*, That all officials and agencies be and they are hereby requested to furnish whatever information and assistance may be needed to the end that a report, with any recommendations deemed appropriate by the Commission, be presented to the ~~Governor~~ GOVERNOR, the General Assembly of Maryland, and the State Board of Education no later than January 30, 1962.

Approved May 3, 1961.

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No. 50

(Senate Joint Resolution 21)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the State Department of Health to seek the support of the U. S. P. H. S. ~~is~~ IN carrying out a study and project demonstration of the medical management of narcotic addicts.

WHEREAS, it cannot be too strongly emphasized that the first principle of the treatment of drug addicts is that they should be ~~looked upon as patients, that is to say, treated medically and not punitively; and~~

**TREATED MEDICALLY; AND**

WHEREAS, the causes of drug addiction are numerous and complex, and most physicians have recognized addiction not as a disease in itself but rather as the symptom of an underlying psychiatric disorder reflecting the inability of the individual to make an adjustment to life without narcotics; and

WHEREAS, there are serious gaps in our knowledge about narcotic addiction including deficiencies in application of newer medical knowledge and epidemiological techniques; and

**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.