

As another example, this General Assembly has been informed that the State Department of Education, as part of its participation in the aid to public schools, is creating from 300 to 500 new jobs.

Before this State succumbs further to the glittering rainbow of Federal largesse, let us investigate and compare the revenue the State will receive in comparison to the cost incurred and the benefits realized. Let us remember also that the badgered Federal taxpayer is in part a citizen and a taxpayer of the State of Maryland; now therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Fiscal Research Bureau is requested to make a complete study of all present and planned Federal programs for the distribution of grants in aid to the several states in order to evaluate and assess the money to be received by the State or its political subdivisions from these programs, the cost to the State and its political subdivisions in the administration of these programs, and the social and economic benefits received in comparison with the cost incurred; and be it further*

*Resolved, That the Fiscal Research Bureau is requested to report in detail its findings on these Federal programs and to submit this report to the members of the General Assembly and to the members of the Legislative Council not later than October 1, 1966.*

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(Senate Joint Resolution 25)

Senate Joint Resolution directing the Department of Game and Inland Fish to initiate and promote a statewide firearm safety program and recommend future legislation in this area, and requesting the Governor to provide funds to implement the program.

WHEREAS, most states and two Canadian Provinces now have statewide programs to teach firearms safety to young people and adults; and

WHEREAS, these safety training programs have proven to be effective in measurably reducing hunting accidents, in improving law enforcement, and in improving the general public regard for firearm safety and for conservation of natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland, although conducting some firearm safety training, does not have a statewide program to do an effective and comprehensive job; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Maryland Department of Game and Inland Fish is directed to initiate and promote a statewide firearm safety program for Maryland; and for this purpose shall work cooperatively with the National Rifle Association of America and/or other organizations able to give assistance; and that the State and local Boards of Education and other governmental agencies and private groups be requested to lend assistance, facilities, and support to the program where feasible; and be it further*