

state of Illinois by Act of 1967, a Science Advisory Council was created with both legislative and scientific personnel.

In the state of California a recent statute created a Commission on Manpower, Automation and Technology. In Maryland, if such an agency had been in existence in recent years, the General Assembly could have had help on problems of air pollution, radiation, the Intra-State Nuclear Compact, mine waste, strip mining, and water and soil pollution among other possibilities.

Accordingly, the General Assembly is requesting that some serious study and determination be given to its needs for scientific information; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Legislative Council is requested during 1970 to study possibilities for some kind of organized study of scientific problems by an agency which could be set up as an advisor in this area to the General Assembly; and be it further*

*Resolved, That the Legislative Council is requested to report the results of its studies together with its recommendations to the General Assembly of 1971.*

Approved April 22, 1970.

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No. 31

(Senate Joint Resolution 36)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the State Commissioner of Personnel to review the educational requirements for many classifications of employment within the State service and to report his findings to the General Assembly.

WHEREAS, The testimony of several State officials before the Senate Finance Committee during hearings on the 1971 budget has suggested to the Committee that there is little or no meaningful relationship between the educational requirements for various classes of State employment and the actual training and job skills needed for such employment; and

WHEREAS, It appears that the requirement of a college degree for some kinds of employment is used more as a screening device than as a valid employment requirement; and

WHEREAS, Such a policy may unfortunately handicap the State's recruiting program without improving the calibre of employees hired, and indirectly may place an unnecessary burden upon our institutions of higher education; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the State Commissioner of Personnel is requested to review the educational requirements established for all classifications of State employment for the purpose of determining whether these requirements may be unnecessarily high, artificial, or bear little relationship to the needs of the particular job to be performed, to revise educational requirements for State employment as may be found to be necessary, and to establish training programs designed to provide the background*