

the needs of the employees of the State and its twenty-four political subdivisions by keeping abreast of employee health care needs and problems through continuous and thorough investigation and study and which shall, based on their findings, make periodic reports and recommendations regarding employee health care needs to the Governor and the General Assembly of Maryland and generally coordinate and supervise the Program; and be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Marvin Mandel, AND THE EMPLOYEES HEALTH INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL.

Approved May 26, 1972.

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No. 37

(Senate Joint Resolution 28)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the Governor to appoint a Commission to study the operation of security guards and special agents POLICE in this state and the relationship between government and private industry in this field.

WHEREAS, a multitude of problems exist in the field of private security guards and special police; and

WHEREAS, a better defined relationship is needed between government and private security agents and special police; and

WHEREAS, a delineation of the problems of variations in practice and in law as to when security agents and special police should carry firearms is needed; and

WHEREAS, under current law the people who operate a private security agency which has been ordered to close can reorganize and reopen under a new name; and

WHEREAS, there is inadequate means for identifying licensed security agents because there is no photograph or description on their identification card and no official insignia; and

WHEREAS, a question has been raised as to whether security guards should have the power of arrest; and

WHEREAS, many agencies are unable to ascertain accurately whether or not applicants are individuals who have not committed serious crimes because the police are not required to advise them of this upon request; and

WHEREAS, there is inadequate screening and training given by many agencies to men hired as special police; and

WHEREAS, there are no skill qualifications required before an agency may assign an agent to handle firearms; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Governor is requested to appoint a Commission to study the operation