

the creation of the District Court system. All of this growth in the number of judges necessitates review of the provisions of the judicial system for possible improvements.

3. Consideration of improvements in benefits under the judicial system. As the size of the judiciary grows, there ought to be review of the benefits provided, in relation to the benefits which are available to practitioners of law. It is desirable to encourage qualified applicants for judgeships, rather than to discourage consideration because of the monetary losses to be incurred.

WHEREAS, For the reasons cited, it is desirable to make a study of these problems in order to assure maintenance of the high stature of the State's judiciary; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Governor of Maryland is requested to appoint a commission of eight persons to make a study and analysis of the Judicial Pension System, with all eight members of the commission to represent the public, and not more than two of the eight members to be judges or practicing attorneys, and to designate the chairman of the commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the commission is requested to seek the advice and assistance of the public, the judiciary of Maryland, the Administrative Office of the Courts, the Maryland State and local bar associations, and appropriate national and federal legal and judicial organizations in making the study; and recommendations to the public, the Governor, and the General Assembly prior to the convening of the 1976 Session; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Governor of Maryland, State House, Annapolis; Chief Judge Robert C. Murphy, Court of Appeals of Maryland, Annapolis, 21401; the Maryland State Bar Association, 905 Keyser Building, Baltimore, 21202; and the State Administrative Office of the Courts, Courts of Appeal Building, Annapolis, 21401.

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