

disability and are totally unprepared to deal with the many problems confronting them; and

WHEREAS, Knowledge of the nature and needs of the handicapped people leads to greater understanding and acceptance of the contributions which mentally, physically, and emotionally handicapped people can make; and

WHEREAS, Knowledge of the nature and needs of handicapped people is essential to everyone in our society; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Maryland State Department of Education be requested to provide for the inclusion in the curriculum of the public schools in Maryland instruction concerning the needs and nature of mentally, physically, and emotionally handicapped people; and be it further

RESOLVED, That 25 copies of this Resolution be sent to Dr. James Sensenbaugh, State Superintendent of Schools, P.O. Box 8717, Baltimore-Washington International Airport, Baltimore, Maryland 21240, for distribution to the Superintendents of Schools in each of the local subdivisions in Maryland.

Approved May 15, 1975.

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No. 46

(House Joint Resolution 44)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

The 1965 Voting Rights Act

FOR the purpose of requesting the President of the United States and the Congress to extend the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

The General Assembly of Maryland and the people of Maryland believe that the 1965 Voting Rights Act was a monumental achievement that extended the voting franchise to all the citizens of America.

Although the turbulent days that surrounded the enactment of the Act have passed, the need to ensure that every American has the right to participate in the electoral process is still present.