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Article 49B - Human Relations Commission
 Section 11 through 30, respectively
 to be Section 5 through 28, respectively
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1972 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 49E - Human Relations Commission

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(a) [The Commission may make such surveys and studies concerning human relations, conditions and problems as it may determine, and to promote in every way possible the betterment of human relations. In making studies and surveys, it may expend any funds provided for in the budget or otherwise made available.

On the basis of studies or surveys, the Commission may recommend to the Governor additional legislation or changes in existing legislation.]

THE COMMISSION MAY MAKE SURVEYS AND STUDIES CONCERNING HUMAN RELATIONS, CONDITIONS, AND PROBLEMS, AND IT MAY PROMOTE IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE THE BETTERMENT OF HUMAN RELATIONS. ON THE BASIS OF STUDIES OR SURVEYS, THE COMMISSION MAY RECOMMEND TO THE GOVERNOR ADDITIONAL LEGISLATION OR CHANGES IN EXISTING LEGISLATION. IN MAKING STUDIES AND SURVEYS, IT MAY EXPEND ANY FUNDS PROVIDED FOR IN THE BUDGET OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE.

(b) The Commission shall submit an annual report to the Governor and General Assembly on or before January 1st each year of the work of the Commission.

(c) [Whenever any problem of racial discrimination arises, the Commission immediately may hold an investigatory hearing. The place of any hearing shall be in the area where the problem exists.

The purpose of the hearing shall be to resolve the problem promptly by the gathering of all the facts from all the interested parties and making such recommendations as may be necessary.]

WHENEVER ANY PROBLEM OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION ARISES, THE COMMISSION IMMEDIATELY MAY HOLD AN INVESTIGATORY HEARING. THE PURPOSE OF THE HEARING SHALL BE TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM PROMPTLY BY THE GATHERING OF ALL THE FACTS FROM ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND MAKING SUCH RECOMMENDATIONS AS MAY BE