

WHEREAS, At least 3,000 homeless men use the Baltimore Rescue Mission for shelter each year and Project PLASE estimates that there are 8,000 to 10,000 homeless people in Baltimore City yearly; and

WHEREAS, The Baltimore City Emergency Services Center served about 36,000 people last year with food, shelter, utilities, and fuel; and

WHEREAS, The Census Bureau reports that well over 400,000 Marylanders have incomes below the poverty level; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Human Resources seems to be the one State agency that could best undertake a targeting of one of these areas of emergency need and develop a matched funding plan for addressing this need; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Department of Human Resources target one commonly cited area of emergency need and develop a matched funding plan for addressing this need; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the results of this undertaking be transmitted to the General Assembly on the first day of the 1979 Session.

Approved May 2, 1978.

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No. 16

(House Joint Resolution 17)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Agency Responsibility for Medicaid Administration

FOR the purpose of requesting the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House to initiate a study of agency responsibilities for administration of Medicaid by the Joint Oversight Committee on Medicaid or other appropriate committee.

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland has divided the responsibility for the administration of the Medical Assistance Program between the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department of Human Resources; and

WHEREAS, It appears that there exists a lack of coordination between the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department of Human Resources in efficiently