

and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene are requested to prepare immediately a memorandum of collaboration on the establishing, licensing, certification, supervision, and funding of noninstitutional programs and facilities for the elderly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Steny H. Hoyer, President of the Senate; John Hanson Briscoe, Speaker of the House; Dr. Matthew Tayback, Director, State Office on Aging; Richard A. Batterton, Secretary of the Department of Human Resources; Dr. Neal Sclomon, Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; Mr. William S. Ratchford II, Director of the Department of Fiscal Services; and Mr. Thomas Schmidt, Secretary of the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning.

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No. 18

(House Joint Resolution 24)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Nursing Education

FOR the purpose of charging postsecondary institutions in Maryland which offer a baccalaureate degree in nursing with the responsibility for recruiting registered nurses who wish to pursue ~~such studies; and requesting that this charge be included in the State Board for Higher Education's master plan~~ further education at the baccalaureate level.

WHEREAS, As a result of the lack of coordinated planning for postsecondary education in Maryland, the State faces a serious shortage in nursing manpower, i.e. a lack of adequate opportunities for registered nurses who wish to further their education by earning a baccalaureate degree in nursing; and

WHEREAS, This matter is of serious concern to a large segment of registered nurses in Maryland now numbering over 12,000; and

WHEREAS, Some of these registered nurses have earned baccalaureate degrees in other than the nursing field, at more costly out-of-State institutions, and in nonaccredited external degree programs where evening, part-time, ~~experimental~~ experiential, and home study arrangements are available; and

WHEREAS, The School of Nursing at the University of