

State government; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 1972, the Mental Retardation Administration was created to coordinate these programs and services; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 1972, the Mental Retardation Administration was created to organize and administer the Administration; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 1972, the Mental Retardation Administration was created to ensure the overall proper administration of public facilities for mentally retarded persons; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 1972, the Mental Retardation Administration was created to provide or encourage by consultation, cooperation, contract, or direct operation facilities and services for mentally retarded persons; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 1972, the Mental Retardation Administration was created to promote effective planning for an citizen support of programs for mentally retarded persons; and

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the State of Maryland to promote the social well being and general welfare of mentally retarded persons; and

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the State of Maryland to encourage the development and ability and potential of each mentally retarded person in the State; and

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the State of Maryland to promote and provide for the development, maintenance, and coordination of all programs for mentally retarded persons; and

WHEREAS, The Mental Retardation Administration has been in existence approximately five and one-half years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Humane Practices Commission, in consultation with the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning, determine to what extent the Mental Retardation Administration has met and is meeting its duties and responsibilities as specified in Article 59A, and to what extent the Director of the Mental Retardation Administration or his delegates have met and are meeting their duties as stated in Article 59A, and to what extent the State of Maryland is complying with the Statement of Policy set out in Article 59A; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Acting Governor, Honorable Blair Lee III; Neil Sclomon, M.D., Secretary of the Department of Health and