

RESOLVED, BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene ~~develope~~ develop a request for a waiver pursuant to Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act in order to provide funding for community based service programs for the developmentally disabled; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene request approval of this waiver by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services by the end of fiscal year 1982, or as soon as practicable ~~thereafter~~, thereafter; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Charles R. Buck, Jr., Secretary of the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Signed June 1, 1982.

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No. 15

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 47)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Federal Unemployment Benefits - Eligibility

FOR the purpose of expressing support for a reevaluation of recent Federal Administration changes in eligibility requirements for federal extended benefits.

WHEREAS, With over 9.5 million jobless Americans and a 9 percent national unemployment rate, unemployment has become a fact of life for an unprecedented number of Americans; and

WHEREAS, During this time of national economic distress, the Reagan Administration has decided to cut back on unemployment compensation and has tightened eligibility rules; and

WHEREAS, Normally not more than 25 percent of those receiving unemployment insurance presently exhaust their benefits; however, over 40 percent will use up their benefits and be without the cushion that softens the despair of unemployment; and

WHEREAS, The millions of jobless, without extended compensation benefits, will, in inevitable frustration, turn to the welfare rolls to feed their families; and