

WHEREAS, Health Systems Agencies are funded by State, local, and federal governments; and

WHEREAS, Approximately one-third of the State's 1986 budget for the Health Resources Planning Commission, or \$661,000, has been appropriated for Health Systems Agencies; and

WHEREAS, The roles of the Health Systems Agencies in health care planning are not consistent statewide; and

WHEREAS, Additional information is needed on the functions being served by Health Systems Agencies in health care planning in the State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Joint Committee on Health Care Cost Containment should study Health Systems Agencies to determine their role in local health planning in Maryland; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Joint Committee on Health Care Cost Containment report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by January 1, 1987; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Reference to the Honorable Harry Hughes, Governor of Maryland, the Honorable Melvin A. Steinberg, President of the Senate of Maryland, and the Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin, Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Signed May 13, 1986.

No. 16

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 29)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

The Health Resources Planning Commission and
the Health Services Cost Review Commission

FOR the purpose of ~~requiring the establishment of a task force requesting the Joint Committee on Health Care Cost Containment~~ to study the restructuring of the Health Resources Planning Commission and the Health Services Cost Review Commission; ~~providing for the membership, chairman, and staffing of the task force; and providing that the task force and requesting that the Joint Committee on Health Care Cost Containment~~ report to the General Assembly.

WHEREAS, Extensive legislation was enacted in 1985 on health care cost containment, the Health Resources Planning Commission, and the Health Services Cost Review Commission; and