

(5) 1 member of the business community to be appointed by the Governor; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the task force:

(1) Collect and examine data on the administration and enforcement of the "White Cane Law", Article 30, § 33 of the Code;

(2) Conduct a needs assessment to determine whether the Law should be revised to include the private sector, to be enforced in a different manner to protect the rights of the blind or visually handicapped;

(3) Make findings and recommendations concerning the implementation, revision, and enforcement of the White Cane Law;

(4) Report the findings and recommendations to the Governor and to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 1987; and be it further

RESOLVED, That staff for the task force be provided by the Governor's Office for the Coordination of Services to the Handicapped; 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 Benjamin L. Cardin, Speaker of the House of Delegates, and the Honorable Melvin A. Steinberg, President of the Senate of Maryland.

Signed May 13, 1986.

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(House Joint Resolution No. 11)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Merit System - Unclassified Positions

FOR the purpose of urging the Secretary of Personnel to conduct a thorough study of the number of unclassified positions in every State agency of every State department, ~~including the total length of service and grade of every employee in such unclassified positions~~, in order to consider the inclusion of all unclassified employees of the State of Maryland below a certain level into classified positions under the Merit System; directing certain written justifications; and requesting the Secretary of Personnel to make a certain report by a certain time.