

ment's participation at 90% in the cost of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 and the local governments' sharing at 10%.

WHEREAS, The Federal Congress has passed the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 to aid communities in the elimination of poverty on a participating basis; and

WHEREAS, The present local share requirement is 10% and the Federal Government's participation is 90%; but the ratio is scheduled to change to a 50-50 basis after August 20, 1966; and

WHEREAS, The local subdivisions of the State scheduled to contribute the 50% to the program after August 20, 1966, are those communities which are most in need of aid, and also are the areas having few and small resources to meet their share of the cost; and

WHEREAS, The funds provided to implement the Federal Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 are designed to aid low-income groups through emphasis on childhood development, remedial education, and job training and job replacement; and

WHEREAS, This program holds promise of alleviating many of the social and economic problems of the State that will in the end lessen costs for welfare, crime, and juvenile delinquency; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Congress of the United States is urged to consider legislation necessary to extend, beyond August 20, 1966, the participation of the Federal Government at 90% of the cost of the operation of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, and the local governments' participation therein at 10%; and be it further

*Resolved,* That copies of this resolution are sent to each member of the Maryland Delegation in the Congress of the United States, with the request that they support this legislation; and be it further

*Resolved,* That copies of this resolution also be sent to the Vice-President of the United States, as presiding officer in the Senate of the United States, and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in the Congress of the United States.

Approved March 23, 1966.

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No. 3

(Senate Joint Resolution 3)

Senate Joint Resolution expressing appreciation to the Hospital Council, Dr. Russell Nelson, and the Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters for their study and progress on the subject of in-patient hospital costs.

The members of the General Assembly of Maryland wish to express their appreciation for progress made and contributions of time and effort in the study of in-patient hospital costs by the Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters.