

WHEREAS, The Board of Medical Examiners is largely responsible for regulations regarding medical care and influencing professional aspects of the hospital work place; and

WHEREAS, Several hospitals have stopped their nurses training services; and

WHEREAS, The policies of many parts of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene may have caused a nursing shortage; and

WHEREAS, The problem of decreasing nurses' services and the role of the Department merits serious study; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is urged to ~~identify the problems and policies in existing practice which impact on~~ study the guidelines, policies, and decisions of the Health Services Cost Review Commission, the State Health Coordinating Council, the State Health Planning and Development Agency, the State Board of Examiners of Nurses, the Board of Medical Examiners and such other parts of the Department which may affect the shortage of nurses; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Department should report its findings to the General Assembly no later than January 1, 1981; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable Harry Hughes, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable James Clark, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; the Honorable Benjamin T. Cardin, Speaker of the House of Delegates; and Charles Beck Buck, Jr., Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, 201 West Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

Signed April 22, 1980.

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(Senate Joint Resolution No. 43)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

The Vial of Life Program

FOR the purpose of requesting the General Assembly to support standardization of the materials and format of the many VIAL OF LIFE programs now in existence within the State of Maryland.