

Child and that all citizens are urged to encourage and support the efforts of all agencies and groups working for the well-being of our most valuable resource - our children; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Governor; the Speaker of the House of Delegates; the President of the Senate of Maryland; and the Executive Director of the Office for Children and Youth, Tucky Heller, 15th Floor, 301 W. Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

Signed May 1, 1979.

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No. 18

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 31)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

State Employees - Preventative Dental Program

FOR the purpose of requesting that the State of Maryland consider for all of its employees, regardless of their enrollment in any particular health or hospitalization insurance plan, a program for preventative dental health care study the feasibility and cost of a preventative dental health care program for all of its employees, regardless of their enrollment in any particular health or hospitalization insurance plan; and requesting that the Secretary of Personnel obtain the necessary statistics and conduct a study of such a preventative dental health care program and to report back to the General Assembly no later than October 31, 1979.

WHEREAS, The present employees' health care program does not include a program for any type of dental health care; and

WHEREAS, Dental health care programs are part of the overall health care programs offered by most and increasing number of employers in the private sector; and

WHEREAS, The general health care of State employees in Maryland would be greatly enhanced by a health care program which included preventative dental care which would be limited to dental examinations, prophylaxis, topical fluoride, and x-rays; and now, therefore, be it

WHEREAS, In all fairness to both the State of Maryland as the employer and to the employees of the State of Maryland, a preventative dental health care program would be