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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 173

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Sponsors: Representatives Easterling; Stamey, Kennedy, Buchanan, Wiser, and Flaherty.

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Referred to: Rules.

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February 7, 1989

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
2 COMMISSION TO CONTINUE THE STUDY OF THE CARE PROVIDED BY  
3 REST HOMES, INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES, AND SKILLED  
4 NURSING HOMES.

5 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

6 Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study the following  
7 issues concerning care provided by rest homes, intermediate care facilities, and skilled  
8 nursing homes:

- 9 (1) The placement and adequacy of the regulatory process for domiciliary  
10 homes;
- 11 (2) The fine and penalty process for nursing homes and domiciliary  
12 homes;
- 13 (3) The need to have mandatory independent nursing home preadmission  
14 screening regardless of assets and income levels to encourage  
15 appropriate use of alternative community based care;
- 16 (4) Follow-up of the implementation of the Omnibus Reconciliation Act  
17 of 1987 on the nursing home industry within the State;
- 18 (5) Separation of residents with severe mental illness from the frail elderly  
19 in domiciliary homes;
- 20 (6) The need to increase reimbursement rates for facilities that serve  
21 patients with special needs; and
- 22 (7) A registry that would allow nursing home and domiciliary home  
23 administrators to check the criminal record of potential aides.

1                   Sec. 2. The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report,  
2 including legislative recommendations, to the 1989 General Assembly, Regular Session  
3 1990, and may make a final report to the 1991 General Assembly.

4                   Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.