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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Tourism**

3 FOR the purpose of creating the Department of Tourism as a principal department of
4 State government; transferring and reassigning certain duties, responsibilities,
5 authority, functions, and units of the Department of Business and Economic
6 Development and the Department of Housing and Community Development to
7 the Department of Tourism; providing for the appointment of the Secretary,
8 deputy secretary, and the heads of certain units of the Department and for the
9 terms, duties, responsibilities, authority, and functions of those individuals;
10 increasing the membership of the Maryland Tourism Development Board with
11 respect to the private sector business community appointments of the President
12 of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates to the Board; providing
13 for specific funding levels for the Maryland Tourism Development Board Fund
14 for certain fiscal years; abolishing the Advisory Committee on Tourism in the
15 Department of Business and Economic Development; increasing the
16 membership of the Heritage Areas Authority; defining certain terms; revising
17 certain definitions; making clarifying and stylistic changes; specifying that the
18 publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the
19 Department of Legislative Services, shall correct agency names and titles in the
20 Code to conform to the changes made by this Act; and generally relating to the
21 Department of Tourism and the transfer of certain State units to create the
22 Department of Tourism.

23 BY repealing

24 Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development
25 Section 4-209
26 Annotated Code of Maryland
27 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

28 BY transferring

29 Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development
30 Section 4-101 through 4-105, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 1. Division

1 Established"; 4-201 through 4-208, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 2.
 2 Maryland Tourism Development Board and Advisory Committee on
 3 Tourism"; 4-301 and the subtitle "Subtitle 3. Maryland Lower Eastern
 4 Shore Tourism Center"; 4-401 through 4-404, inclusive, and the subtitle
 5 "Subtitle 4. Maryland Film Office"; 4-501 and the subtitle "Subtitle 5. Film
 6 Production Activity Tax Exemptions"; 4-601 through 4-609, inclusive, and
 7 the subtitle "Subtitle 6. Maryland State Arts Council"; and the title "Title
 8 4. Division of Tourism, Film, and the Arts", respectively

9 Annotated Code of Maryland
 10 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
 11 to be

12 Article 83D - Department of Tourism
 13 Section 2-102 through 2-106, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 1. Division
 14 Established"; 2-201 through 2-208, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 2.
 15 Maryland Tourism Development Board"; 3-301 and the subtitle "Subtitle
 16 3. Maryland Lower Eastern Shore Tourism Center"; 2-402 through 2-405,
 17 inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 4. Maryland Film Office"; 2-501 and
 18 the subtitle "Subtitle 5. Film Production Activity Tax Exemptions"; 2-601
 19 through 2-609, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 6. Maryland State Arts
 20 Council"; and the title "Title 2. Division of Tourism, Film, and the Arts",
 21 respectively

22 Annotated Code of Maryland
 23 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

24 BY transferring

25 Article 83B - Department of Housing and Community Development
 26 Section 5-101 and the subtitle "Subtitle 1. Division Established"; 5-301 through
 27 5-306, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 3. Commission on African
 28 American History and Culture"; 5-401 through 5-406, inclusive, and the
 29 subtitle "Subtitle 4. Commission on Indian Affairs"; 5-601 through
 30 5-611.1, 5-612 through 5-614.1, and 5-615 through 5-630, inclusive, and
 31 the subtitle "Subtitle 6. Maryland Historical Trust"; 5-701 through 5-705,
 32 inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 7. Historical and Cultural Museum
 33 Assistance Program"; 5-801 and the subtitle "Subtitle 8. Rehabilitation
 34 Tax Credits"; and the title "Title 5. Division of Historical and Cultural
 35 Programs", respectively

36 Annotated Code of Maryland
 37 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
 38 to be

39 Article 83D - Department of Tourism
 40 Section 3-101 and the subtitle "Subtitle 1. Division Established"; 3-202 through
 41 3-207, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 2. Commission on African
 42 American History and Culture"; 3-302 through 3-307, inclusive, and the
 43 subtitle "Subtitle 3. Commission on Indian Affairs"; 3-401 through 3-432,
 44 inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 4. Maryland Historical Trust"; 3-501
 45 through 3-505, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 5. Historical and

1 Cultural Museum Assistance Program"; 3-601 and the subtitle "Subtitle 6.
2 Rehabilitation Tax Credits"; and the title "Title 3. Division of Historical
3 and Cultural Programs", respectively
4 Annotated Code of Maryland
5 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

6 BY adding

7 New Article 83D - Department of Tourism
8 Section 1-101 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 1. Definitions"; 1-201
9 through 1-207 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 2. Department
10 Established and Organized" and under the new title "Title 1. Definitions
11 and Establishment of Department"; 2-101 and 2-401 to be under the
12 amended title "Title 2. Division of Tourism Development, Film, and the
13 Arts"; 3-102, 3-201, and 3-301
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

17 Article 83D - Department of Tourism
18 Section 2-104, 2-202, 2-205, 2-207, 2-301, 2-402, 2-501, and 2-602
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
21 (As enacted by Section 2 of this Act)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

23 Article 83D - Department of Tourism
24 Section 2-102, 2-103, 2-105, 2-106, 2-201, 2-203, 2-204, 2-206, 2-208, 2-403,
25 2-404, 2-405, 2-601, 2-603, 2-604, 2-605, 2-606, 2-607, 2-608, and
26 2-609
27 Annotated Code of Maryland
28 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
29 (As enacted by Section 2 of this Act)

30 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

31 Article 83D - Department of Tourism
32 Section 3-206, 3-305, 3-402, 3-409, 3-411, 3-415, 3-501, and 3-503
33 Annotated Code of Maryland
34 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
35 (As enacted by Section 3 of this Act)

36 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

37 Article 83D - Department of Tourism
38 Section 3-101, 3-202, 3-203, 3-204, 3-205, 3-207, 3-302, 3-303, 3-304, 3-306,
39 3-307, 3-401, 3-403, 3-404, 3-405, 3-406, 3-407, 3-408, 3-410, 3-412,

1 3-413, 3-414, 3-415, 3-416, 3-417, 3-418, 3-419, 3-420, 3-421, 3-422,
2 3-423, 3-424, 3-425, 3-426, 3-427, 3-428, 3-429, 3-430, 3-431, 3-432,
3 3-502, 3-504, 3-505, and 3-601
4 Annotated Code of Maryland
5 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
6 (As enacted by Section 3 of this Act)

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article 20A - Tri-County Council for Western Maryland
9 Section 4-103(a)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article - Education
14 Section 24-502(b)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
18 Article - Financial Institutions
19 Section 13-1103(b), 13-1104(a), 13-1106(a), 13-1110(c), and 13-1112
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
23 Article - State Government
24 Section 8-201
25 Annotated Code of Maryland
26 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

27 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
28 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 4-209 of Article 83A - Department of Business and
29 Economic Development of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

30 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 4-101 through
31 4-105, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 1. Division Established"; 4-201 through
32 4-208, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 2. Maryland Tourism Development Board
33 and Advisory Committee on Tourism"; 4-301 and the subtitle "Subtitle 3. Maryland
34 Lower Eastern Shore Tourism Center"; 4-401 through 4-404, inclusive, and the
35 subtitle "Subtitle 4. Maryland Film Office"; 4-501 and the subtitle "Subtitle 5. Film
36 Production Activity Tax Exemptions"; 4-601 through 4-609, inclusive, and the
37 subtitle "Subtitle 6. Maryland State Arts Council"; and the title "Title 4. Division of
38 Tourism, Film, and the Arts", respectively, of Article 83A - Department of Business
39 and Economic Development of the Annotated Code of Maryland be transferred to be

1 Section(s) 2-102 through 2-106, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 1. Division
 2 Established"; 2-201 through 2-208, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 2. Maryland
 3 Tourism Development Board"; 3-301 and the subtitle "Subtitle 3. Maryland Lower
 4 Eastern Shore Tourism Center"; and 2-402 through 2-405, inclusive, and the subtitle
 5 "Subtitle 4. Maryland Film Office"; 2-501 and the subtitle "Subtitle 5. Film
 6 Production Activity Tax Exemptions"; 2-601 through 2-609, inclusive, and the
 7 subtitle "Subtitle 6. Maryland State Arts Council"; and the title "Title 2. Division of
 8 Tourism, Film, and the Arts", respectively, of Article 83D - Department of Tourism of
 9 the Annotated Code of Maryland.

10 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 5-101 and the
 11 subtitle "Subtitle 1. Division Established"; 5-301 through 5-306, inclusive, and the
 12 subtitle "Subtitle 3. Commission on African American History and Culture"; 5-401
 13 through 5-406, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 4. Commission on Indian Affairs";
 14 5-601 through 5-611.1, 5-612 through 5-614.1, and 5-615 through 5-630, inclusive,
 15 and the subtitle "Subtitle 6. Maryland Historical Trust"; 5-701 through 5-705,
 16 inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 7. Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance
 17 Program"; 5-801 and the subtitle "Subtitle 8. Rehabilitation Tax Credits"; and the
 18 title "Title 5. Division of Historical and Cultural Programs", respectively, of Article
 19 83B - Department of Housing and Community Development of the Annotated Code of
 20 Maryland be transferred to be Section(s) 3-101 and the subtitle "Subtitle 1. Division
 21 Established"; 3-202 through 3-207, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 2.
 22 Commission on African American History and Culture"; 3-302 through 3-307,
 23 inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 3. Commission on Indian Affairs"; 3-401 through
 24 3-432, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 4. Maryland Historical Trust"; 3-501
 25 through 3-505, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 5. Historical and Cultural
 26 Museum Assistance Program"; 3-601, and the subtitle "Subtitle 6. Rehabilitation Tax
 27 Credits"; and the title "Title 3. Division of Historical and Cultural Programs",
 28 respectively, of Article 83D - Department of Tourism of the Annotated Code of
 29 Maryland.

30 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland
 31 read as follows:

32 ARTICLE 83D - DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM

33 TITLE 1. DEFINITIONS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF DEPARTMENT.

34 SUBTITLE 1. DEFINITIONS.

35 1-101.

36 (A) IN THIS ARTICLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
 37 INDICATED.

38 (B) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM.

39 (C) "SECRETARY" MEANS THE SECRETARY OF TOURISM.

1 (D) "STATE" MEANS THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

2 SUBTITLE 2. DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHED AND ORGANIZED.

3 1-201.

4 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM, ESTABLISHED AS A PRINCIPAL
5 DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT.

6 1-202.

7 (A) THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT IS THE SECRETARY OF TOURISM, WHO
8 SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE
9 SENATE.

10 (B) BEFORE TAKING OFFICE, THE APPOINTEE SHALL TAKE THE OATH
11 REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 1, § 9 OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION.

12 (C) (1) THE SECRETARY SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR AND
13 IS RESPONSIBLE DIRECTLY TO THE GOVERNOR.

14 (2) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADVISE THE GOVERNOR ON ALL MATTERS
15 ASSIGNED TO THE DEPARTMENT AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CARRYING OUT THE
16 GOVERNOR'S POLICIES ON THESE MATTERS.

17 (3) THE SECRETARY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE
18 DEPARTMENT AND SHALL ESTABLISH GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES TO PROMOTE
19 THE ORDERLY AND EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.

20 (4) THE SECRETARY MAY ESTABLISH, REORGANIZE, OR CONSOLIDATE
21 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY AS NECESSARY TO
22 FULFILL THE DUTIES ASSIGNED TO THE SECRETARY.

23 (5) THE SECRETARY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ESTABLISHING POLICY TO BE
24 FOLLOWED BY THE UNITS IN THE DEPARTMENT.

25 (D) THE SECRETARY IS ENTITLED TO THE SALARY PROVIDED IN THE STATE
26 BUDGET.

27 1-203.

28 (A) (1) WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY SHALL
29 APPOINT A DEPUTY SECRETARY.

30 (2) THE DEPUTY SECRETARY:

31 (I) SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY;

32 (II) IS ENTITLED TO THE SALARY PROVIDED IN THE STATE
33 BUDGET; AND

1 (III) HAS THE DUTIES PROVIDED BY LAW OR DESIGNATED BY THE
2 SECRETARY.

3 (B) (1) THE SECRETARY MAY EMPLOY A STAFF ATTACHED TO THE OFFICE
4 OF THE SECRETARY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET.

5 (2) EACH STAFF ASSISTANT IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY IN
6 CHARGE OF A PARTICULAR AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY AND EACH PROFESSIONAL
7 CONSULTANT IS IN THE EXECUTIVE SERVICE, MANAGEMENT SERVICE, OR IS A
8 SPECIAL APPOINTMENT IN THE STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND IS
9 APPOINTED BY AND SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY.

10 (3) UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, THE SECRETARY SHALL
11 APPOINT AND REMOVE ALL OTHER STAFF IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY IN
12 ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE STATE PERSONNEL AND PENSIONS
13 ARTICLE.

14 (4) THE SECRETARY MAY:

15 (I) REVIEW ANY PERSONNEL ACTION TAKEN BY ANY UNIT IN THE
16 DEPARTMENT; AND

17 (II) DELEGATE TO THE HEAD OR GOVERNING BODY OF ANY UNIT IN
18 THE DEPARTMENT THE POWER TO APPROVE ANY APPOINTMENT OR REMOVAL.

19 (5) WHENEVER THE SECRETARY IS AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO MAKE AN
20 APPOINTMENT WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY MAY NOT
21 REMOVE THE APPOINTEE WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE APPROVAL OF THE
22 GOVERNOR.

23 1-204.

24 (A) THE SECRETARY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BUDGET OF THE OFFICE OF
25 THE SECRETARY AND FOR THE BUDGET OF EACH UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT.

26 (B) THE SECRETARY SHALL HAVE A SEAL.

27 (C) (1) THE SECRETARY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PLANNING OF
28 ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS, AND SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT.

29 (2) THE SECRETARY MAY REVIEW AND APPROVE, DISAPPROVE, OR
30 MODIFY THE PLANS AND PROPOSALS OF THE UNITS OF THE DEPARTMENT.

31 (D) THE SECRETARY MAY INVESTIGATE OR HOLD A HEARING ON ANY
32 COMPLAINT ABOUT THE OPERATION OF A UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT AND MAY
33 REPORT THE FINDINGS OF THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNOR.

34 (E) AT ANY TIME, THE SECRETARY MAY A CALL A MEETING OF A BOARD OR A
35 COMMISSION IN THE DEPARTMENT TO CONSIDER ANY SUBJECT.

1 (F) ALL UNITS OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OR
2 THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE AS PROVIDED IN REGULATIONS OR WRITTEN
3 DIRECTIVES ADOPTED BY THE SECRETARY.

4 1-205.

5 (A) THE SECRETARY MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF THE
6 SECRETARY.

7 (B) BEFORE A UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT PUBLISHES A PROPOSED
8 REGULATION UNDER § 10-112 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE UNIT
9 SHALL SUBMIT THE PROPOSED REGULATION TO THE SECRETARY.

10 1-206.

11 (A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT TO THE
12 EXTENT THAT THE UNIT IS AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO EMPLOY ITS OWN LEGAL
13 ADVISOR OR COUNSEL.

14 (B) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IS LEGAL ADVISOR TO THE DEPARTMENT.

15 (C) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL ASSIGN TO THE DEPARTMENT THE
16 NUMBER OF ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL AUTHORIZED BY LAW FOR THE
17 DEPARTMENT AND ITS UNITS.

18 (D) (1) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL DESIGNATE AN ASSISTANT
19 ATTORNEY GENERAL ASSIGNED TO THE DEPARTMENT AS COUNSEL TO THE
20 DEPARTMENT.

21 (2) AFTER THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DESIGNATES THE COUNSEL TO THE
22 DEPARTMENT, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY NOT REASSIGN THE COUNSEL
23 WITHOUT CONSULTING THE SECRETARY.

24 (3) (I) THE COUNSEL MAY HAVE NO DUTY OTHER THAN TO GIVE THE
25 LEGAL AID, ADVICE, AND COUNSEL REQUIRED BY THE SECRETARY OR ANY OTHER
26 OFFICIAL OF THE DEPARTMENT, TO SUPERVISE THE OTHER ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS
27 GENERAL ASSIGNED TO THE DEPARTMENT, AND TO PERFORM FOR THE
28 DEPARTMENT THE DUTIES THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ASSIGNS.

29 (II) THE COUNSEL SHALL PERFORM THESE DUTIES SUBJECT TO
30 THE CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

31 1-207.

32 (A) THE FOLLOWING UNITS ARE IN THE DEPARTMENT:

33 (1) THE DIVISION OF TOURISM DEVELOPMENT;

34 (2) THE DIVISION OF HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS;

35 (3) THE MARYLAND TOURISM DEVELOPMENT BOARD;

- 1 (4) THE MARYLAND STATE ARTS COUNCIL;
- 2 (5) THE COMMISSION ON AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE;
- 3 (6) THE COMMISSION ON INDIAN AFFAIRS; AND
- 4 (7) THE MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST.

5 (B) THE DEPARTMENT ALSO INCLUDES ANY OTHER UNIT THAT IS ASSIGNED
6 TO THE DEPARTMENT.

7 Title 2. Division of Tourism DEVELOPMENT, Film, and the Arts.

8 Subtitle 1. Division Established.

9 2-101.

10 IN THIS SUBTITLE, "DIVISION" MEANS THE DIVISION OF TOURISM
11 DEVELOPMENT, FILM, AND THE ARTS.

12 2-102.

13 There is a Division of Tourism DEVELOPMENT, Film, and the Arts within the
14 Department.

15 2-103.

16 (a) (1) With the approval of the Governor, the Secretary shall appoint a
17 Director of the Division of Tourism DEVELOPMENT, Film, and the Arts.

18 (2) The Director shall hold office at the Secretary's pleasure.

19 (3) With the approval of the Governor, the Director may be removed by
20 the Secretary.

21 (4) Any such removal by the Secretary is final and is not subject to any
22 appeal.

23 (b) The Director shall be selected because of known experience and interest in
24 tourism, film, and the arts.

25 (c) The Director shall operate this Division under the direction of the
26 Secretary in accordance with the provisions of law.

27 2-104.

28 The Division shall:

29 (1) Stimulate development of tourist business in Maryland;

30 (2) Promote Maryland business and job opportunities;

- 1 (3) Encourage development of recreational areas and facilities;
- 2 (4) Make the public aware of the State's heritage and historical
3 development;
- 4 (5) Advertise the State and disseminate information about the State;
- 5 (6) Encourage the promotion and development of amateur and
6 professional sports in this State;
- 7 (7) Encourage the advancement of and participation in the performing,
8 visual, and creative arts; and
- 9 (8) Administer those programs assigned to the Division by law or
10 designated by the Secretary.

11 2-105.

12 The Director of the Division shall receive the salary and have [such] deputies,
13 assistants, employees, and professional consultants as provided in the State budget.

14 2-106.

15 (A) (1) The Department may establish a consolidated publications account.

16 (2) Excess revenues remaining at the end of the fiscal year, derived from
17 publications of the Department or [any agency] A UNIT in the Department, may be
18 placed in this account.

19 (3) Expenditures from the account are restricted to cost of producing,
20 distributing, and promoting publications of the Department and [agencies] UNITS
21 within the Department, including the cost of free publications.

22 (B) (1) Unexpended moneys in the account at the end of fiscal 1975 and any
23 subsequent fiscal year shall not revert, but shall be maintained as a special fund, up
24 to a maximum of \$40,000.

25 (2) Any excess over \$40,000 shall revert to the general funds of the State.

26 Subtitle 2. Maryland Tourism Development Board and Advisory Committee on
27 Tourism.

28 2-201.

29 [(a)] In this subtitle, [the following words have the meanings indicated.

30 (b) "Advisory Committee" means the Advisory Committee on Tourism.

31 (c) "Board" means the Maryland Tourism Development Board.

1 2-202.

2 The General Assembly declares it to be the policy of the State to guide,
3 stimulate, and promote the coordinated, efficient, and beneficial development of
4 travel and tourism in the State so that the State can derive, to the fullest extent
5 possible, the economic, social, and cultural benefits that travel and tourism in
6 Maryland generates.

7 2-203.

8 (a) There is a Maryland Tourism Development Board in the Department.

9 (b) (1) The Board consists of [17] 19 members appointed as follows:

10 (i) 11 members shall be appointed by the Governor in consultation
11 with the Secretary and with the advice and consent of the Senate;

12 (ii) [3] 4 members shall be appointed by the President of the
13 Senate of Maryland, [1] 2 of whom shall be from the private sector business
14 community; and

15 (iii) [3] 4 members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House
16 of Delegates, [1] 2 of whom shall be from the private sector business community.

17 (2) [2] TWO members of the Board at all times shall be members of the
18 General Assembly of Maryland, 1 a member of the Senate of Maryland appointed by
19 the President and the other a member of the House of Delegates appointed by the
20 Speaker.

21 (3) IN MAKING THE APPOINTMENTS FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR
22 BUSINESS COMMUNITY, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE
23 HOUSE SHALL:

24 (I) ENSURE THAT EACH GEOGRAPHIC REGION OF THE STATE IS
25 REPRESENTED; AND

26 (II) GIVE DUE CONSIDERATION TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE
27 BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TOURISM INDUSTRY AND PROVIDE BALANCED
28 REPRESENTATION OF THE LODGING, FOOD SERVICE, TRANSPORTATION, RETAIL,
29 AND AMUSEMENTS AND ATTRACTIONS SECTORS OF THE TOURISM INDUSTRY.

30 [(3)] (4) A member of the Board who is a member of the General
31 Assembly may not vote on matters before the Board relating to the exercise of the
32 sovereign powers of the State.

33 [(4)] (5) In making the appointments THAT THE GOVERNOR IS
34 REQUIRED TO MAKE UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION, the Governor
35 shall:

1 (i) Ensure that each geographic region of the State is represented;
2 and

3 (ii) Give due consideration to the recommendations made by
4 representatives of the tourism industry and provide balanced representation of the
5 lodging, food service, transportation, RETAIL, and amusements and attractions
6 sectors of the tourism industry.

7 (c) (1) The term of a member is 3 years and begins on July 1.

8 (2) The terms of the members are staggered as required by the terms
9 provided for the members of the Board on July 1, 1993.

10 (3) Any member is eligible for reappointment, but after serving for 2
11 consecutive 3-year terms, a member may not be reappointed until the expiration of at
12 least one year after the termination of the member's previous tenure.

13 (4) Vacancies shall be filled immediately for the remainder of the
14 unexpired portion of the term.

15 (5) A member shall hold office until a successor has been appointed.

16 [(4)] (6) A member of the General Assembly who is appointed to the
17 Board by the President or the Speaker serves until a successor is appointed.

18 (d) [Each member of the Board appointed by the Governor serves at the
19 pleasure of the Governor. Members of the Board shall serve without compensation,
20 but each member shall be reimbursed for necessary travel and other expenses
21 incurred in the performance of official duties in accordance with the Standard State
22 Travel Regulations.] The Board shall select annually from its membership a
23 chairman, [4] 5 vice-chairmen, 1 each to represent the lodging, food service,
24 transportation, RETAIL, and attractions sectors, and a secretary-treasurer.

25 (E) EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR SERVES AT
26 THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR.

27 (F) MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION, BUT
28 EACH MEMBER SHALL BE REIMBURSED FOR NECESSARY TRAVEL AND OTHER
29 EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES IN ACCORDANCE
30 WITH THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS.

31 2-204.

32 (A) The Board shall meet at [the call of] TIMES DETERMINED BY the
33 chairman.

34 (B) The Board shall meet at least 4 times a year.

1 2-205.

2 (a) The Office of Tourism Development of the Department shall provide a staff
3 to the Board.

4 (b) The Board shall use the facilities, equipment, and supplies of the Office of
5 Tourism Development to conduct its business.

6 (c) The Director of the Office of Tourism Development of the Department shall
7 serve as the Executive Director of the Board as part of the regular duties of the
8 Director of the Office of Tourism Development and with no additional compensation.

9 2-206.

10 Subject to the approval of the Secretary, the Board has the following powers and
11 duties:

12 (1) To adopt reasonable regulations to effectuate the provisions of this
13 subtitle;

14 (2) To enter into contracts and agreements;

15 (3) To engage services;

16 (4) To request and obtain from any department, division, [board,]
17 bureau, [commission] or other [agency or] unit of the State, assistance and data to
18 enable [it] THE BOARD to carry out its powers and duties under this subtitle;

19 (5) To accept any federal funds granted by an act of Congress or by
20 executive order for any of the purposes of this subtitle;

21 (6) To accept any gifts, donations, or bequests for any of the purposes of
22 this subtitle; and

23 (7) Subject to the provisions of [§ 4-208] § 2-208 of this subtitle, to
24 generate revenue through sales of goods and services relating to tourism.

25 2-207.

26 Subject to the approval of the Secretary, the Board shall:

27 (1) Draft and implement:

28 (i) A 5-year strategic plan for the promotion and development of
29 tourism in Maryland; and

30 (ii) An annual marketing plan consistent with the strategic plan;

31 (2) Submit to the Maryland Economic Development Commission for its
32 review the 5-year strategic plan and annual marketing plan;

- 1 (3) Establish an annual operating budget consistent with the marketing
2 plan;
- 3 (4) Protect, preserve, promote, and restore the natural, historical, scenic,
4 and cultural resources in the State;
- 5 (5) Encourage the development of new tourism resources, products,
6 businesses, and attractions in the State;
- 7 (6) Facilitate the movement and activities of tourists to, from, and
8 within the State through signs, information aids, and other services;
- 9 (7) Improve the safety and security of tourists in the State;
- 10 (8) Encourage and facilitate training and education of individuals for
11 jobs in the tourism industry, and provide a healthy environment for the development
12 of human resources in tourism businesses;
- 13 (9) Encourage residents to pursue careers in the tourism industry;
- 14 (10) Produce a climate conducive to small tourism business growth and
15 viability;
- 16 (11) Review existing and proposed taxes, fees, licenses, regulations, and
17 regulatory procedures affecting tourism and tourism businesses in the State and
18 evaluate their impact on the ability of the tourism industry to create employment and
19 generate income;
- 20 (12) Support the conducting of research necessary to evaluate, plan, and
21 execute effective tourism programs;
- 22 (13) Cooperate with other public and private agencies and organizations
23 in the development and promotion of the State's tourism and travel industries;
- 24 (14) Encourage, assist, and coordinate the tourism activities of local and
25 regional promotional organizations;
- 26 (15) Publish and submit to the Commission and the Secretary an annual
27 report and other material that the Board considers appropriate;
- 28 (16) Set policies regarding the expenditures of appropriated and other
29 funds for tourism advertising, written and graphic materials, cooperative and
30 matching promotional programs, and other tourism and travel developmental and
31 promotional activities for the State; and
- 32 (17) Spend funds of the Maryland Tourism Development Board Fund for
33 the planning, advertising, promotion, assistance, and development of tourism and
34 travel industries in this State.

1 2-208.

2 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "FUND" MEANS THE MARYLAND TOURISM
3 DEVELOPMENT BOARD FUND.

4 [(a)] (B) There is a Maryland Tourism Development Board Fund.

5 [(b)] (C) The Fund is established to provide a continuing fund for the Board to
6 fund programs relating to the planning, advertising, promotion, assistance, and
7 development of the tourism industry in the State.

8 [(c)] (D) The Fund is a special, continuous, nonlapsing fund that is not subject
9 to § 7-302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

10 [(d)] (E) The Treasurer shall invest and reinvest the Fund in the same
11 manner as other State funds and credit any investment earnings to the General
12 Fund.

13 [(e)] (F) The Fund consists of:

14 (1) Moneys appropriated in the State budget to the Fund; and

15 (2) All funds accepted by the Board in accordance with [§ 4-206] § 2-206
16 of this subtitle.

17 [(f)] (G) Expenditures from the Fund may be made only by the Board in
18 accordance with an appropriation.

19 [(g)] (H) (1) In this subsection, "Governor's proposed General Fund
20 appropriation" means the General Fund appropriation included by the Governor in
21 the annual budget bill as submitted to the General Assembly, including any proposed
22 supplemental budget, before any amendment by the General Assembly.

23 (2) The Governor shall include in the annual budget bill a proposed
24 General Fund appropriation to the Fund in an amount not less than:

25 (i) \$4,000,000, for fiscal year 1999;

26 (ii) \$5,000,000, for fiscal year 2000; [and]

27 (iii) \$6,000,000, for fiscal year 2001 [and subsequent fiscal years]
28 AND FISCAL YEAR 2002, RESPECTIVELY;

29 (IV) \$8,500,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003;

30 (V) \$11,000,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004;

31 (VI) \$13,500,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005;

32 (VII) \$15,000,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006; AND

1 (VIII) \$17,500,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR
2 THEREAFTER.

3 (3) For each fiscal year, in addition to any appropriation for tourism
4 marketing from the Maryland Tourism Development Board Fund, the Governor shall
5 include in the annual budget bill submitted to the General Assembly a General Fund
6 appropriation for the Office of Tourism Development in an amount not less than the
7 amount of the Governor's proposed General Fund appropriation for the Office of
8 Tourism Development for fiscal year [1995] 2001.

9 Subtitle 3. Maryland Lower Eastern Shore Tourism Center.
10 2-301.

11 (a) There is a Maryland Lower Eastern Shore Tourism Center Advisory
12 Committee.

13 (b) (1) The Maryland Lower Eastern Shore Tourism Center Advisory
14 Committee consists of 9 members.

15 (2) Of the 9 Advisory Committee members:

16 (i) 3 shall be from Somerset County;

17 (ii) 3 shall be from Wicomico County; and

18 (iii) 3 shall be from Worcester County.

19 (3) The Board of County Commissioners in Somerset and Worcester
20 Counties and the County Council of Wicomico County shall appoint the members of
21 the Advisory Committee from the respective counties.

22 (c) Each member of the Advisory Committee shall be:

23 (1) A member of the general public; and

24 (2) A resident of the county from which the member is appointed.

25 (d) (1) The term of a member is 5 years.

26 (2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms
27 provided for members of the Board on July 1, 1984.

28 (3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is
29 appointed and qualifies.

30 (4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for
31 the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

1 (e) The Board of County Commissioners in Somerset and Worcester Counties
2 and the County Council in Wicomico County may remove a member of the Advisory
3 Committee representing their respective county for incompetence or misconduct.

4 (f) The Advisory Committee shall advise and counsel the Department on the
5 development and operation of the Maryland Lower Eastern Shore Tourism Center.

6 Subtitle 4. Maryland Film Office.

7 2-401.

8 IN THIS SECTION, "OFFICE" MEANS THE MARYLAND FILM OFFICE.

9 2-402.

10 There is a Maryland Film Office within the Department.

11 2-403.

12 The Office may:

13 (1) Request and obtain from [any agency] A UNIT of State and local
14 government any assistance and information necessary to carry out this subtitle;

15 (2) Accept and expend any gifts, bequests, or grants from public or
16 private sources for any of the purposes of this subtitle; and

17 (3) Expend moneys made available by the budget and do any other acts
18 necessary to carry out this subtitle.

19 2-404.

20 The Office shall develop and implement a program to promote the production of
21 motion pictures and television [within this] IN THE State, including:

22 (1) [The preparation] PREPARATION and distribution of appropriate
23 promotional and informational materials pointing out desirable locations [within] IN
24 the State for the production of motion pictures and television, explaining the benefits
25 and advantages of producing motion pictures and television [within] IN the State,
26 and detailing the services and assistance available [within] IN State government [as
27 well as] INCLUDING services available at the local level and [within] IN the industry;

28 (2) Assisting motion picture and television companies to secure location
29 permits and other appropriate services connected with motion picture and television
30 production; and

31 (3) Facilitating cooperation from local [government], State, and federal
32 government agencies and private sector groups in the location and production of
33 motion pictures and television.

1 2-405.

2 The Office shall coordinate with activities of similar offices, councils or boards
3 appointed by any local [governments within] GOVERNMENT IN this State for any of
4 the purposes of this subtitle.

5 Subtitle 5. Film Production Activity Tax Exemptions.

6 2-501.

7 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the tax exemption provided
8 under § 11-227 of the Tax - General Article is for the purpose of increasing the film
9 production activity carried out in the State, bringing economic benefits to the citizens
10 of the State and generating increased employment opportunities in the State.

11 (b) To ensure that the tax exemption is granted for a film production activity,
12 a film producer or a production company seeking eligibility for the exemption must
13 first apply for and receive from the Department a certification of eligibility for the
14 exemption.

15 (c) The Department and the Comptroller jointly shall adopt regulations
16 defining with greater specificity for purposes of the sales and use tax exemption
17 under § 11-227 of the Tax - General Article what constitutes a film production
18 activity and what constitutes tangible personal property and taxable services used
19 directly in connection with a film production activity.

20 Subtitle 6. Maryland State Arts Council.

21 2-601.

22 (a) Many of the citizens of the State lack the opportunity to enjoy or
23 participate in and develop a greater appreciation of performing, visual and creative
24 arts in general, [such as] INCLUDING theatrical performances, concerts, opera, dance
25 and ballet performances and recitals, art and art exhibitions, fine examples of
26 architecture, and creative writing[;].

27 (b) With increasing leisure time, the practice and enjoyment of the arts are of
28 increasing importance[;].

29 (c) Many of the citizens of the State possess talents of an artistic and creative
30 nature which cannot be utilized to their fullest extent under existing conditions[;].

31 (d) The general welfare of the people of the State will be promoted by giving
32 further recognition to the arts as a vital part of the culture and heritage of the State
33 and as an important means of expanding the scope of our educational program for
34 children and adults[;].

35 (e) Interest in the arts will provide employment for artists in all fields and
36 encourage citizens to participate in the practice of the arts[;].

1 (f) Increased activities in the arts will increase employment in the State by
2 encouraging the production of artistic events in various communities in the State,
3 thus utilizing the talents and services of many citizens[;].

4 (g) The standards of artistic performance will be improved because of the
5 encouragement of increased citizen participation, and a demand for higher standards
6 for more citizens[; and].

7 (h) The general economy will be helped by the increased employment caused
8 by the implementation of artistic programs, by the construction of places of
9 performance and exhibition of artistic programs, and by many visitors who will visit
10 the State to witness these programs.

11 2-602.

12 The General Assembly declares it to be the policy of the State to strive to create
13 a nurturing climate for the arts in the State and to join with private patrons and with
14 institutions and professional organizations concerned with the arts, to ensure that
15 the role of the arts in the life of the citizens of the State will continue to grow and play
16 an ever more significant part in their welfare and educational experience.

17 2-603.

18 The General Assembly declares that all activities undertaken by the State, in
19 carrying out the policy set forth in [§ 4-602] § 2-602 of this subtitle, shall be directed
20 toward encouraging and assisting rather than [in any way] limiting the freedom of
21 artistic expression which is essential for the well-being of the arts.

22 2-604.

23 (a) There is a Maryland State Arts Council [which shall be part of] IN the
24 Department.

25 (b) (1) The Council consists of 17 members [, 13 of whom shall be selected as
26 provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection and 4 of whom shall be selected as
27 provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection:].

28 [(1)] (2) (i) [13] THIRTEEN members of the Council shall be
29 appointed by the Governor in consultation with the Secretary and with the advice and
30 consent of the Senate, for terms of 3 years each.

31 (II) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms
32 provided for members of the Council on July 1, 1985.

33 [(ii)] (III) Any member is eligible for reappointment, but after
34 serving for 2 consecutive 3-year terms, no member may be reappointed until the
35 expiration of at least 1 year after the termination of the member's previous tenure.

36 (IV) Vacancies shall be filled immediately for the remainder of the
37 unexpired portion of the term.

1 (V) A member shall hold office until a successor has been appointed.

2 [(2)] (3) (i) [2] TWO members of the Council shall be appointed by the
3 President of the Senate of Maryland and 2 members of the Council shall be appointed
4 by the Speaker of the House of Delegates of Maryland.

5 (ii) [2] TWO members of the Council at all times shall be members
6 of the General Assembly of Maryland, [1] ONE a member of the Senate of Maryland
7 appointed by the President and the other a member of the House of Delegates of
8 Maryland appointed by the Speaker.

9 (iii) A member of the General Assembly who is appointed under this
10 paragraph serves until a successor is appointed.

11 (IV) If a Council member appointed under this paragraph is not a
12 member of the General Assembly, the member shall serve for a 3-year term in
13 accordance with paragraph [(1)(ii)] (2)(III) of this subsection.

14 (c) In making the appointments, the Governor shall give due consideration to
15 the recommendations made by the representatives of civic, educational and
16 professional organizations concerned with or engaged in the production or
17 presentation of the performing, visual or creative arts and shall provide balanced
18 geographic representation.

19 (d) Members of the Maryland State Arts Council shall serve without
20 compensation, but each member shall be reimbursed for necessary [traveling]
21 TRAVEL and other expenses incurred in the performance of official duties in
22 accordance with the Standard State Travel Regulations.

23 (e) The Council shall select annually from its membership a chairman, a
24 vice-chairman and a secretary-treasurer.

25 2-605.

26 (A) [Meetings of the] THE Council shall [be called] MEET AT TIMES
27 DETERMINED by the chairman or the Secretary.

28 (B) The Council shall meet at least 4 times annually.

29 2-606.

30 (a) The Council shall have the power and authority [necessary] to carry out
31 the duties imposed [upon it] by this subtitle and subject to the approval of the
32 Secretary, including [but not limited to the following]:

33 (1) Continuing all programs and activities and assuming all assets,
34 liabilities, contracts, leases and other [such] obligations of the body formerly known
35 as the Governor's Council on the Arts in Maryland[.];

- 1 (2) Adopting reasonable [rules and] regulations to [effectuate] CARRY
2 OUT the provisions of this subtitle[.];
- 3 (3) Entering into contracts and agreements[.];
- 4 (4) Engaging services[.];
- 5 (5) Requesting and obtaining ASSISTANCE AND DATA from [any] A
6 department, division, [board,] bureau, [commission] or other [agency] UNIT of the
7 State [, such assistance and data as will enable it properly to carry out its powers and
8 duties hereunder.];
- 9 (6) Accepting any federal funds granted by act of Congress or by
10 executive order for any [and all of the purposes] PURPOSE of this subtitle.
- 11 (7) Accepting any gifts, donations or bequests for any [or all of the
12 purposes] PURPOSE of this subtitle[.];
- 13 (b) The Council, subject to the approval of the Secretary, shall appoint[, from
14 without its members,] an executive director of the Council WHO IS NOT A MEMBER OF
15 THE COUNCIL.
- 16 (c) The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the Council, subject to
17 the concurrence of the Secretary, and shall be a special appointment in the State
18 Personnel Management System.
- 19 (d) Subject to the rules and policies set forth by the Council and the
20 administrative supervision of the Secretary, the executive director shall:
- 21 (1) Be the administrative officer of the Council staff;
- 22 (2) Direct, administer, and supervise the activities of the Council staff;
23 and
- 24 (3) Appoint and remove employees of the Council.
- 25 2-607.
- 26 (a) The Council is authorized to conduct programs subject to approval of the
27 Secretary, including[, but not limited to the following]:
- 28 (1) Continuation of the program of the body formerly known as the
29 Governor's Council on the Arts in Maryland including its statewide survey of
30 resources and needs in the arts[.];
- 31 (2) Determine the extent to which existing resources can fill the
32 needs[.];
- 33 (3) Design new or expanded programs in the arts [either individually or
34 in concert] with [existing] arts organizations [or arts organizations which may come
35 into existence hereafter.];

1 (4) Encourage and assist in the formation and activities of local
2 community arts councils[.];

3 (5) Provide technical and consultative assistance to arts organizations
4 [throughout] IN the State[.];

5 (6) Assist, both logistically and financially, in the touring of outstanding
6 professional performances and exhibitions of art [, from within and outside the State,
7 to communities throughout] IN the State[.];

8 (7) Make awards for excellence in the arts[.];

9 (8) Make grants to arts organizations and individual artists[.];

10 (9) Cooperate with educational institutions and organizations to
11 establish a higher level of education in and appreciation of the arts on the part of
12 students [throughout] IN the State[.];

13 (10) Explore the feasibility of regional arts programming in [the]
14 neighboring states [and of], program exchange with other states, and implement
15 [any such] THE programs it deems advisable[.]; AND

16 (11) Make recommendations to the Board of Public Works concerning
17 appropriate aesthetic decorations, embellishments, accessories or ornamentation to
18 State projects, buildings and property.

19 (b) The Council shall publish an annual report and may publish other
20 material as it deems appropriate.

21 2-608.

22 [For purposes of] IN this subtitle, [the term] "the arts" [shall include]
23 INCLUDES [but not be limited to dance] DANCING, drama, music drama,
24 architecture, painting, sculpture, graphics, crafts, photography, design, film,
25 television and creative writing.

26 2-609.

27 (a) In the course of exercising its powers and duties under this subtitle, the
28 Council shall avoid [any actions which] ACTION THAT would interfere with the
29 freedom of artistic expression or with the established or contemplated arts programs
30 in any community.

31 (b) (1) The Council shall receive for its purposes and programs [such] funds
32 [as] THAT are provided to the Council in the State budget from time to time.

33 (2) Funds received as nonstate, nonfederal contributions for programs of
34 assistance to the arts may be treated as special funds which do not revert to the
35 General Fund at the end of a fiscal year.

1 Title 3. Division of Historical and Cultural Programs.

2 Subtitle 1. Division Established.

3 3-101.

4 (a) There is a Division of Historical and Cultural Programs [as an
5 organizational unit within] IN the Department of [Housing and Community
6 Development] TOURISM.

7 (b) The Division of Historical and Cultural Programs includes:

8 (1) The Commission on African American History and Culture;

9 (2) The Commission on Indian Affairs;

10 (3) The Maryland Historical Trust; and

11 (4) The Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program.

12 3-102.

13 (A) (1) WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY SHALL
14 APPOINT A DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS.

15 (2) THE DIRECTOR SHALL HOLD OFFICE AT THE SECRETARY'S
16 PLEASURE.

17 (3) WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE DIRECTOR MAY BE
18 REMOVED BY THE SECRETARY.

19 (4) ANY REMOVAL BY THE SECRETARY IS FINAL AND NOT SUBJECT TO
20 ANY APPEAL.

21 (B) THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE SELECTED BECAUSE OF KNOWN EXPERIENCE
22 AND INTEREST IN HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS.

23 (C) THE DIRECTOR SHALL OPERATE THE DIVISION UNDER THE DIRECTION OF
24 THE SECRETARY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF LAW.

25 Subtitle 2. Commission on African American History and Culture.

26 3-201.

27 IN THIS SUBTITLE, "COMMISSION" MEANS THE COMMISSION ON AFRICAN
28 AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE.

1 3-202.

2 [The] THERE IS A Commission on African American History and Culture [is a
3 part of] IN the Department. [In this subtitle, it shall be referred to as the
4 "Commission".]

5 3-203.

6 (a) (1) The Commission shall consist of nine members appointed by the
7 Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for terms of 4 years each.

8 (2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms
9 provided for members of the Commission on July 1, 1985.

10 (b) [Any] A Commissioner may be reappointed, except that [any] A
11 Commissioner who has served two consecutive 4-year terms may not be reappointed
12 until at least 1 year after the expiration of that Commissioner's prior [tenure] TERM.

13 (c) If for any reason a Commissioner fails to serve or complete any term, the
14 Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a successor to serve
15 for the remainder of the term.

16 (d) The appointees shall:

17 (1) [represent] REPRESENT the entire Maryland community[, and they
18 shall];

19 (2) [have] HAVE knowledge of African American culture and history;

20 (3) [be] BE sensitive to the problems of minority communities; and

21 (4) [be] BE connected with agencies working to integrate minority
22 history and culture into the history of Maryland and our American culture.

23 (e) The Commissioners shall elect annually a chairman and vice-chairman
24 from among the members of the Commission.

25 (f) The Commission shall meet at [the call of] TIMES DETERMINED BY the
26 chairman, a majority of the members, or the Secretary.

27 (g) Members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for their
28 services, but they may be reimbursed for proper and necessary expenses incurred in
29 the discharge of their duties on the Commission in accordance with the Standard
30 State Travel Regulations.

31 3-204.

32 The Commission shall:

33 (1) Initiate, direct, and coordinate projects that further the
34 understanding of African American history and culture;

1 (2) Continue the survey of historic buildings, sites, artifacts, archives
2 and repositories, and publish and disseminate these findings and information;

3 (3) Plan, coordinate, and implement the State's annual official
4 observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, and receive and administer any
5 available federal or private funds for the planning and execution of commemorative
6 and educational activities in connection with the observance of the Martin Luther
7 King, Jr. holiday;

8 (4) Establish a center LOCATED IN ANNAPOLIS TO BE KNOWN AS THE
9 BANNEKER-DOUGLASS MUSEUM to house and display photographs, objects, oral
10 history tapes, artifacts and other materials of African American historic and cultural
11 significance [. The center shall be located in Annapolis and be known as the
12 Banneker-Douglass Museum];

13 (5) Locate, preserve and disseminate information to the public about
14 significant buildings and sites relating to African American history and culture; and

15 (6) Publish an annual report and any other material it deems necessary.
16 3-205.

17 The records, materials, personal property, files, moneys, credits and other assets
18 and liabilities and obligations of the Maryland Commission on Negro History and
19 Culture are [hereby] transferred to the Maryland Commission on African American
20 History and Culture.

21 3-206.

22 (a) The Commission may seek funds from the federal government,
23 foundations and private sources in addition to State funding.

24 (b) The Commission may accept any gifts, grants, donations, bequests, or
25 endowments for any purposes of the Commission.

26 (c) (1) If any funds received under subsection (a) or (b) of this section or any
27 income derived from the operation of Banneker-Douglass Museum or from
28 educational materials and activities of the Commission are unexpended at the end of
29 the fiscal year, the funds or income may not revert to the General Fund of the State,
30 but instead, shall be maintained as special funds available to the Commission for
31 carrying out the purposes of this subtitle.

32 (2) Funds maintained under this subsection shall be subject to audit by
33 the State, including by the Legislative Auditor.

34 3-207.

35 (a) The Commissioners, subject to the approval of the Secretary, shall appoint
36 [from without their number] a director of the Commission [on African American
37 History and Culture] WHO IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION.

1 (b) The director shall serve at the pleasure of the Commissioners, subject to
2 the concurrence of the Secretary, and shall be a special appointment in the State
3 Personnel Management System.

4 (c) Subject to the rules and policies set forth by the Commissioners and the
5 administrative supervision of the Secretary in accordance with [§§ 1-201,] §§ 1-202,
6 1-203, 1-204, and 1-205 of this article, the director shall:

7 (1) Be the chief administrative officer of the Commission;

8 (2) Direct, administer, and supervise the activities of the Commission;
9 and

10 (3) Supervise the appointment and removal of personnel employed by
11 the Commission.

12 Subtitle 3. Commission on Indian Affairs.

13 3-301.

14 IN THIS SUBTITLE, "COMMISSION" MEANS THE COMMISSION ON INDIAN
15 AFFAIRS.

16 3-302.

17 [The] THERE IS A Commission on Indian Affairs [is an agency] in the
18 Department. [In this subtitle, it shall be referred to as the "Commission".]

19 3-303.

20 (a) (1) The Commission shall consist of nine members [appointed by the
21 Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate,].

22 (2) OF THE NINE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION:

23 (I) [a] A majority [of whom] shall be members of the native
24 American Indian communities of this State[.]; and

25 (II) [at] AT least 3 [of whom] shall be appointed from Indian
26 communities that are indigenous to Maryland.

27 (3) Each member of the Commission shall have a demonstrable
28 knowledge of Indian culture and history, and be sensitive to the problems of the
29 Indian communities.

30 (4) The term of a member is 3 years.

31 (5) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is
32 appointed and qualifies.

1 (6) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for
2 the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

3 (7) A member may succeed himself, but may not serve more than 6 years
4 consecutively.

5 (8) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE MEMBERS WITH THE ADVICE
6 AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE.

7 [(2)] (9) (i) Each applicant shall submit, under oath or affirmation, a
8 list of the applicant's qualifications, including:

- 9 1. The applicant's educational history;
- 10 2. The applicant's employment background or other relevant
11 experience; and
- 12 3. In the case of an individual applying for appointment as
13 an American Indian member of the Commission, documentation or proof of Indian
14 tribe, band, group, or clan membership, under the sworn and notarized signature of
15 the authorized custodian of the records of the membership rolls of the applicable
16 Indian tribe, band, group, or clan.

17 (ii) The Governor may require the production of any other
18 documents necessary to prove:

- 19 1. The standing or history of the Indian tribe, band, group, or
20 clan of which an applicant claims membership; or
- 21 2. The qualifications of an individual applicant.

22 [(3)] (10) (i) [Any] A person who, in any matter within the scope of this
23 section, knowingly and willfully falsifies or conceals, by any trick, scheme, or device,
24 a material fact, or makes any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or
25 representations, or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the writing
26 or document contains any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry, is guilty
27 of a misdemeanor.

28 (ii) Except as otherwise provided by law, a person who violates this
29 section is subject to IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 6 MONTHS OR a fine [of] not
30 [more than] EXCEEDING \$1,000, or [imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or]
31 both.

32 (b) Members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for their
33 services, but they may be reimbursed for proper and necessary expenses incurred in
34 the discharge of their duties on the Commission in accordance with the Standard
35 State Travel Regulations.

36 (c) The Commissioners shall elect annually a chairman and vice-chairman
37 from among the members of the Commission.

1 (d) The Commission shall meet at [the call of] TIMES DETERMINED BY the
2 chairman, a majority of the members, or the Secretary.

3 3-304.

4 The Commission shall:

5 (1) Initiate, direct, and coordinate projects [which] THAT further the
6 understanding of Indian history and culture;

7 (2) Conduct a survey of historic buildings, sites, artifacts, archives and
8 repositories, and publish and disseminate these findings and information;

9 (3) Undertake a comprehensive study of indigenous American Indian
10 tribes including but not limited to the Crees, Creeks, Cherokees, Chippewas,
11 Choptanks, Delawares, Haliwas, Lumbees, Nanticokes, Piscataways, Potomacs,
12 Rappahannocks, Seminoles, Susquehannas, and Wicomicos, and their influence
13 [upon] ON Maryland history and culture;

14 (4) Study the status of all Indian groups, tribes and communities in the
15 State and assist them in obtaining recognition from the federal government;

16 (5) Study the economic and social needs of Indians in Maryland and
17 make recommendations for the alleviation of these needs;

18 (6) Locate, preserve and disseminate information to the public about
19 significant buildings and sites relating to Indian history and culture[, respectively];
20 and

21 (7) Publish an annual report and any other material it deems necessary.
22 3-305.

23 (a) The Commission may seek funds from the federal government,
24 foundations and private sources in addition to State funding.

25 (b) The Commission may accept any gifts, grants, donations, bequests, or
26 endowments for any purposes of the Commission.

27 (c) (1) If any funds received under subsection (a) or (b) of this section or any
28 income and fees received by the Commission that are derived from educational
29 materials and activities of the Commission are unexpended at the end of the fiscal
30 year, the funds or income may not revert to the General Fund of the State, but
31 instead, shall be maintained as special funds available to the Commission for
32 carrying out the purposes of this subtitle.

33 (2) Funds maintained under this subsection shall be subject to audit by
34 the State, including by the Legislative Auditor.

1 3-306.

2 (a) The Commissioners, subject to the approval of the Secretary, shall
3 appoint[, from without their number,] an administrator of the Commission WHO IS
4 NOT A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION.

5 (b) The administrator shall serve at the pleasure of the Commissioners,
6 subject to the concurrence of the Secretary, and shall be a special appointment in the
7 State Personnel Management System.

8 (c) Subject to the rules and policies set forth by the Commissioners and the
9 administrative supervision of the Secretary in accordance with [§§ 1-201,] §§ 1-202,
10 1-203, 1-204, and 1-205 of this article, the administrator shall:

11 (1) Be the chief administrative officer of the Commission;

12 (2) Direct, administer, and supervise the activities of the Commission;
13 and

14 (3) Supervise the appointment and removal of personnel employed by
15 the Commission.

16 3-307.

17 (a) Subject to the approval of the Secretary, the Commission may establish a
18 process by which a native American tribe, band, group, or clan which is indigenous to
19 Maryland can apply to the Commission for formal recognition of Maryland Indian
20 status.

21 (b) (1) The Commission shall adopt regulations and procedures necessary to
22 carry out the provisions of this section in accordance with the provisions of Title 10,
23 Subtitle 1 of the State Government Article.

24 (2) The regulations shall address the application process and
25 genealogical standards, and shall specify the criteria which must be satisfied by a
26 tribe, band, group, or clan applying for recognition.

27 (3) The criteria shall be generally consistent with the criteria established
28 by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, for tribal recognition
29 by the United States of America, taking into account the special circumstances of
30 American Indians indigenous to Maryland and shall include the following criteria:

31 (i) The petitioning group has been identified from historical times
32 until the present as "American Indian" or "aboriginal";

33 (ii) The members of the petitioning group are descendants from a
34 tribe that existed historically and is either indigenous to Maryland or derived from
35 historical tribes indigenous to Maryland prior to 1790;

1 (iii) The members of the petitioning group are descendants of an
2 Indian tribe that historically inhabited a specific area in Maryland prior to 1790;

3 (iv) The membership of the petitioning group is composed
4 principally of persons who are not members of any other North American tribe, band,
5 group, or clan; and

6 (v) Any other criteria that the Commission considers necessary
7 through regulations adopted by the Commission.

8 (c) (1) Upon the Commission's determination that a particular tribe, band,
9 group, or clan has met the requirements for recognition set forth in the regulations,
10 the Commission may recommend formal recognition to the Governor.

11 (2) A Commissioner may not vote or participate [in any way] in the
12 deliberations [with respect to] CONCERNING any application for formal recognition of
13 Maryland Indian status made by an Indian tribe, band, group, or clan of which the
14 Commissioner is a member.

15 (d) (1) If the Governor concurs with the Commission's recommendation, the
16 Governor may propose by executive order to provide formal recognition to the
17 particular tribe, band, group, or clan.

18 (2) An executive order proposed to be promulgated under this subsection
19 shall first be presented to the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and
20 Legislative Review for review by the members of the Committee.

21 (3) The executive order shall take effect 30 days after submission to the
22 JOINT Committee ON ADMINISTRATIVE, EXECUTIVE, AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW.

23 (e) (1) The provisions of this section are not intended to create any rights of
24 ownership or other rights to land or to create any benefits or entitlements of any kind,
25 nor are they intended to impair valid existing rights, benefits, or entitlements
26 belonging to American Indians residing in the State.

27 (2) The provisions of this section may not impair existing judicial rulings
28 of the State regarding Maryland's American Indians.

29 (3) Prior to formal recognition of Maryland Indian status, members of
30 the petitioning group shall submit an affidavit renouncing all tribal rights of
31 ownership with respect to land in the State.

32 (f) Any action or failure to take action by the Commission under this section
33 does not create a private cause of action under the laws of the State.

34 (g) (1) Any person who, in any matter within the scope of this section,
35 knowingly and willfully falsifies or conceals, by any trick, scheme, or device, a
36 material fact, or makes any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or
37 representations, or makes or uses any false writing or document, knowing the writing

1 or document contains any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry, is guilty
2 of a misdemeanor.

3 (2) Except as otherwise provided by law, a person who violates this
4 section is subject to IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 6 MONTHS OR a fine [of] not
5 [more than] EXCEEDING \$1,000[, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months,] or
6 both.

7 (h) (1) The provisions of this section may not be construed to create in the
8 Commission any power to establish criteria for membership in a tribe, band, group, or
9 clan.

10 (2) [That] THE power TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP IN A
11 TRIBE, BAND, GROUP, OR CLAN is specifically reserved to the individual tribe, band,
12 group, or clan.

13 Subtitle 4. Maryland Historical Trust.

14 Part I. General Provisions.

15 3-401.

16 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

17 (b) "Associated funerary objects" means objects that, as a part of the death rite
18 or ceremony of a culture, are reasonably believed to have been placed with individual
19 human remains either at the time of death or later.

20 (c) "Business entity" means, for purposes of [§§ 5-612] §§ 3-413 and [5-613]
21 3-414 of this subtitle, a corporation, association, partnership, joint venture, or other
22 legally organized entity.

23 (d) "Cave" has the meaning set forth in § 5-1401 of the Natural Resources
24 Article and includes any naturally occurring void, cavity, recess, cavern, sinkhole,
25 grotto, rock shelter, or system of interconnecting passages beneath the surface of the
26 earth or within a cliff or ledge, including natural subsurface water and drainage
27 systems.

28 (e) "Committee" means the Advisory Committee on Archaeology.

29 (f) "Controls" means having rights pursuant to a lease, option contract, or
30 purchase contract.

31 (g) "Council" means the Maryland Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

32 (h) "Director" means the Director of the Maryland Historical Trust.

33 (i) "Embedded" means firmly affixed in submerged lands such that the use of
34 tools of excavation is required [in order] to move the bottom sediments to gain access
35 to the archaeological historic property [and any part thereof].

1 (j) "Financial assistance" means an action by the State or a State unit to
2 award grants, loans, loan guarantees, or insurance to a public or private entity to
3 finance, either in part or in whole, an undertaking.

4 (k) "Governor's Consulting Committee on the National Register of Historic
5 Places" means the committee that reviews nominations to the National Register
6 under the National Historic Preservation Act.

7 (l) "Historic property" means a district, site, building, structure, monument,
8 or object significant in the prehistory, history, upland and underwater archeology,
9 architecture, engineering, and culture of the State, including artifacts, records, and
10 remains related to a district, site, building, structure, or object.

11 (m) "Human remains" means any part of the body of a deceased human being
12 in any state of decomposition.

13 (n) "Local jurisdiction" means, for purposes of [§§ 5-612] §§ 3-413 and
14 [5-613] 3-414 of this subtitle, any of the 23 counties of the State, the City of
15 Baltimore, any municipal corporation in Maryland subject to the provisions of Article
16 XI-E of the Maryland Constitution, and any duly authorized agency or
17 instrumentality of the local jurisdiction.

18 (o) "MHT Grant Fund" means the Historic Preservation and Historical and
19 Cultural Museum Assistance Grant Fund of the Trust created under [§ 5-613] §
20 3-414 of this subtitle.

21 (p) "MHT Grant Program" means the Historic Preservation Grant Program of
22 the Trust created [pursuant to § 5-613] UNDER § 3-414 of this subtitle.

23 (q) "MHT Loan Fund" means the Historic Preservation Loan Fund of the
24 Trust created under [§ 5-612] § 3-413 of this subtitle.

25 (r) "MHT Loan Program" means the Historic Preservation Loan Program of
26 the Trust created [pursuant to § 5-612] UNDER § 3-413 of this subtitle.

27 (s) "Native American" means a person, or a descendant of a person, who
28 inhabited North America prior to European contact.

29 (t) "Nonprofit organization" means, for purposes of [§§ 5-612] §§ 3-413 and
30 [5-613] 3-414 of this subtitle, a corporation, foundation, governmental entity, or
31 other legal entity, THAT HAS no part of the net earnings [of which inure] INURING to
32 the benefit of [any] A private shareholder or individual holding an interest in [such]
33 THE entity.

34 (u) "Permittee" means [any] A person [or entity] authorized and given the
35 exclusive right by the Maryland Historical Trust to excavate or disturb a submerged
36 archaeological historic property under the provisions of [§ 5-620] § 3-422 of this
37 subtitle.

1 (v) "Preservation" means the identification, evaluation, recordation,
2 documentation, curation, acquisition, protection, management, rehabilitation,
3 restoration, stabilization, maintenance, and reconstruction of a historic property.

4 (w) "State Historic Preservation Officer" means the individual who
5 administers the State Historic Preservation Program under the provisions of the
6 National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

7 (x) "State unit" has the meaning set forth in Title 11 of the State Government
8 Article.

9 (y) "Submerged" means beneath or substantially beneath the territorial
10 waters of the State.

11 (z) "Submerged archaeological historic property" means any site, structure,
12 object, or remains which:

13 (1) Yields or is likely to yield information of significance to the scientific
14 study of human prehistory, history, or culture; and

15 (2) (i) Is embedded in submerged lands and has remained unclaimed
16 for 100 years or longer; or

17 (ii) Is included in or has been determined eligible for inclusion in
18 the National Register of Historic Places.

19 (aa) "Terrestrial" means relating to any and all lands above the mean high tide
20 line and above all nontidal waters.

21 (bb) "Trust" or "MHT" means the Maryland Historical Trust.

22 (cc) "Undertaking" means a project that involves or may lead to building
23 construction, building alteration, or land disturbance.

24 3-402.

25 The General Assembly finds that:

26 (1) Historic properties significant to the State's heritage are being lost or
27 substantially altered, often inadvertently, with increasing frequency;

28 (2) Once historic properties are lost or destroyed, a vital part of our
29 community life and development cannot be replaced;

30 (3) Preservation of the State's heritage is in the public interest so that
31 present and future generations may be enriched by the cultural, educational,
32 inspirational, social, and economic benefits of the past;

33 (4) Increased knowledge of our historic resources, establishment of
34 better means of identifying and administering them, and encouragement of their
35 preservation will assist the economic and cultural growth of this State; and

1 (5) The State's heritage has been enriched by past accomplishments and
2 contributions of the State's private preservation organizations and their continuing
3 activities are in the public interest.

4 3-403.

5 The Maryland Historical Trust is [hereby] created as an instrumentality of the
6 State of Maryland as part of the Department for the purpose of preserving, protecting,
7 and enhancing districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects significant in the
8 prehistory, history, upland and underwater archeology, architecture, engineering, and
9 culture of the State, to encourage others to do so and to promote interest in and study
10 of [such] THOSE matters.

11 3-404.

12 (A) The purpose of the Trust is [declared] to [be of general] benefit [to] the
13 citizens of the State and BE charitable in nature.

14 (B) The Trust shall be a body corporate and shall have perpetual existence,
15 subject to modification by the General Assembly of the State if [the same is]
16 necessary to effectuate the purpose of the Trust and subject to termination by the
17 General Assembly [when and] if its substantial purpose ceases.

18 3-405.

19 (A) (1) The powers and duties of the Trust shall vest in and be exercised by
20 a body of fifteen trustees.

21 (2) The Governor of the State, the President of the Senate of the General
22 Assembly and the Speaker of the House of Delegates of the General Assembly shall be
23 by virtue of their offices three of the trustees with the same powers and duties as the
24 other trustees as [hereafter set forth] PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.

25 (3) (I) The three ex officio trustees may delegate from time to time any
26 or all of their powers or duties to an authorized representative[.,].

27 (II) [the] THE Governor's representative [to] SHALL be a member
28 of the Executive Department of the State of Maryland [and].

29 (III) [the] THE representatives of the President of the Senate and
30 the Speaker of the House [to] SHALL be a member of the Senate and the House of
31 Delegates, respectively.

32 (4) The remaining twelve trustees shall be appointed by the Governor
33 with the advice and consent of the Senate.

34 (B) (1) [However, a] A minimum of two trustees shall be qualified with an
35 advanced degree in archaeology or a closely related field, and shall have experience in
36 the field of archaeology.

1 (2) Of the trustees qualified in the field of archaeology, at least one must
2 have experience in the field of submerged archaeology and at least one must have
3 experience in the field of terrestrial archaeology.

4 (C) (1) The term of a member is 4 years.

5 (2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms
6 provided for members of the board on July 1, 1985.

7 (3) In the event that a trustee for any reason fails to serve or to complete
8 any appointed or elected term, a successor shall be appointed by the Governor for the
9 remainder of such term.

10 (D) [Selection of] THE trustees [whether by delegation or appointment with
11 the advice and consent of the Senate] should REFLECT [be such as to obtain a broad]
12 THE [geographical distribution of trustees throughout] GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY OF
13 THE POPULATION OF the State [insofar as is practicable and consistent with the
14 purpose of the Trust].

15 3-406.

16 The trustees shall serve without compensation, but each trustee shall be
17 reimbursed for expenses incurred while [actually] engaged in the performance of
18 their duties in accordance with the Standard State Travel Regulations as provided in
19 the State budget.

20 3-407.

21 (a) In addition to the powers set forth elsewhere in this subtitle, the Trust
22 may:

23 (1) [Adopt rules and] ADOPT regulations to carry out the provisions of
24 this subtitle;

25 (2) Take any legal action necessary to enforce the provisions of this
26 subtitle;

27 (3) Adopt and use an official seal;

28 (4) Contract for consultant or other services;

29 (5) Apply for and accept any fund, grant, or loan from any federal, State,
30 local, or private source;

31 (6) Make an agreement with a prospective mortgagor or grantee for
32 financial assistance to a historic preservation project;

33 (7) Acquire and hold real and personal historic property by gift,
34 purchase, devise, bequest, or any other means;

- 1 (8) Acquire or take assignment of a note, mortgage, or other form of
2 security and evidence of indebtedness;
- 3 (9) Acquire, attach, accept, or take title to a historic property by
4 conveyance or, if a mortgage is in default, by foreclosure;
- 5 (10) Sell, convey, assign, lease, or otherwise transfer or dispose of any
6 property held by it;
- 7 (11) Enter into any contract, lease, or other agreement that is necessary
8 or incidental to the performance of its duties;
- 9 (12) Preserve, restore, rehabilitate, reconstruct, protect, document,
10 excavate, salvage, exhibit, and interpret historic properties;
- 11 (13) Accept any gift, legacy, bequest, and endowment for any purpose of
12 the Trust and unless [otherwise] specified by the donor expend both principal and
13 income of any gift, bequest, legacy, or endowment in furtherance of the Trust or invest
14 it, with consent of the State Treasurer, in whole or in part in general obligations of the
15 State, or other securities;
- 16 (14) Apply any money, asset, property, or other thing of value it may
17 receive as incident to its operation, to the general purposes of the Trust; and
- 18 (15) Delegate any of its powers to [1] ONE or more of the trustees or the
19 Director.
- 20 (b) In addition to the duties set forth elsewhere in this subtitle, the Trust
21 shall:
- 22 (1) In cooperation with federal and State agencies, including the
23 Department of Natural Resources, local governments, and private organizations and
24 individuals, direct and conduct a comprehensive statewide survey of historic
25 properties;
- 26 (2) Maintain an inventory and register of historic properties;
- 27 (3) Document, research, record, and evaluate the significance of historic
28 properties;
- 29 (4) Prepare and implement comprehensive statewide and regional
30 historic preservation plans;
- 31 (5) Assist local governments in the development of local historic
32 preservation plans and programs;
- 33 (6) Carry out programs and activities to protect, preserve, and encourage
34 the preservation of historic properties in the State;
- 35 (7) Preserve and administer historic properties acquired and held by the
36 Trust;

1 (8) Cooperate with federal and State agencies, local governments, and
2 private entities to ensure that historic properties are taken into consideration at all
3 levels of planning and development;

4 (9) Review the policies and programs of each unit of the State
5 government that affect historic properties and recommend methods to improve the
6 effectiveness and coordination of these policies and programs consistent with this
7 subtitle;

8 (10) Administer programs of financial and technical assistance for
9 historic preservation projects;

10 (11) Make recommendations on the certification and eligibility of historic
11 properties for tax incentives and other programs of public assistance;

12 (12) Provide public information, education, and training relating to
13 historic preservation;

14 (13) Encourage public interest and participation in historic preservation;

15 (14) Advise and assist the State Historic Preservation Officer on matters
16 relating to the implementation of the officer's responsibilities;

17 (15) Advise the Governor and General Assembly on matters relating to
18 historic preservation; and

19 (16) Submit annually to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State
20 Government Article, to the General Assembly a report of its activities during the
21 preceding year together with any recommendations for actions that, in the judgment
22 of the Trust are necessary and appropriate to further the purposes of the Trust.

23 (c) (1) Except as otherwise may be provided in this subtitle, any income and
24 fees received by the Trust that are unexpended at the end of a fiscal year may not
25 revert to the General Fund of the State, but instead, shall be maintained as special
26 funds available to the Trust for carrying out the purposes of this subtitle.

27 (2) The income and fees referred to in paragraph (1) of this subsection
28 include, without limitation, fees authorized under this subtitle and income from
29 educational and other preservation materials, activities, and services of the Trust.

30 (3) Funds maintained under this subsection shall be subject to audit by
31 the State, including by the Legislative Auditor.

32 3-408.

33 (A) (1) Annually, from among their members, the trustees shall elect a
34 chairman, a vice chairman, and a treasurer.

35 (2) The manner of election of officers shall be determined by the trustees.

1 (B) (1) The trustees shall meet at places and dates to be determined by the
2 trustees not less than two times a year.

3 (2) Special meetings shall be called by the Director upon order of the
4 chairman on the chairman's own initiative and must be called by the Director at the
5 request of four or more trustees.

6 (3) All trustees shall be notified by the Director in writing of the time
7 and place of all meetings at least seven days in advance of such meeting, except that
8 meetings may be held on shorter notice if all trustees shall agree.

9 (C) Eight trustees shall constitute a quorum.

10 3-409.

11 (a) With the approval of the Governor, the trustees shall appoint a Director,
12 who is chief administrative officer of the Trust.

13 (b) The Director shall:

14 (1) Be knowledgeable in architecture, history, archeology, or other
15 appropriate discipline relating to historic preservation; and

16 (2) Possess experience in historic preservation activities or related fields.

17 (c) The Director shall serve at the pleasure of the trustees and may be
18 removed with the concurrence of the Governor.

19 (d) The Director is entitled to the salary provided in the State budget and may
20 employ staff in accordance with the State budget.

21 (e) Positions with the Trust are special appointments in the State Personnel
22 Management System.

23 (f) Under direction of the trustees, the Director shall perform the duties and
24 functions prescribed by the trustees.

25 3-410.

26 The trustees may request, and [upon] ON request shall receive from the
27 Attorney General of the State, all legal counsel and services necessary to carry out the
28 purpose of the Trust.

29 3-411.

30 (a) The Trust may not dispose of any property transferred by the State to the
31 Trust or purchased with funds paid by the State without the approval of the Board of
32 Public Works.

33 (b) The Trust may not sell, convey, assign, or lease any property held by it
34 solely for the purpose of investment.

1 (c) Before selling or conveying any real or personal property listed in or
2 eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic Properties, the Trust shall:

3 (1) Ensure that the proposed disposition provides for the preservation or
4 enhancement of the property; and

5 (2) Give preference to acquisition proposals made by local governments
6 or capable private nonprofit organizations qualifying under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal
7 Revenue Code that provide for:

8 (i) The use most compatible with the historic or architectural value
9 of the property; and

10 (ii) Uses which have greatest opportunity for public involvement,
11 participation, education, and enjoyment; and

12 (3) Provide a 6-month option to purchase to entities that meet the
13 requirements of paragraph (2) of this subsection, and that propose to purchase at the
14 State-established appraised fair market value.

15 (d) Unless expressly provided for, a lease made by the Trust may not be
16 subject to redemption at the option of the tenant.

17 3-412.

18 (a) All submerged archaeological historic property located on or recovered
19 from submerged lands over which the State has sovereign control is the property of
20 the State.

21 (b) Title to submerged archaeological historic property, or a portion thereof,
22 located on or recovered from submerged lands over which the State has sovereign
23 control may be conveyed by the State to a permittee pursuant to a permit issued by
24 the Trust under [§ 5-620] § 3-422 of this subtitle, if such a permit is approved by the
25 Board of Public Works in accordance with the applicable provisions of Title 10,
26 Subtitle 3 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Code.

27 (c) (1) The Trust may enter into agreements with permittees for the
28 disposition of recovered submerged archaeological historic property.

29 (2) The disposition may include division of the recovered property with
30 the permittee.

31 (3) Subject to the approval of the Board of Public Works, the division
32 may be in value or in kind, with the Trust acting as arbiter of the division in the best
33 interest of the State and giving due consideration to the fair treatment of the
34 permittee. Any agreement entered into by the Trust, however, shall provide for the
35 permittee to receive reasonable compensation for any recovered submerged
36 archaeological historic property claimed and turned over to the State.

1 3-413.

2 (a) There is a Historic Preservation Loan Program of the Trust, known as the
3 MHT Loan Program.

4 (b) The purpose of the MHT Loan Program is to implement and encourage the
5 preservation of historic properties.

6 (c) The Trust shall:

7 (1) Manage, supervise, and administer the MHT Loan Program; and

8 (2) Coordinate the MHT Loan Program with federal or State programs
9 that complement or facilitate carrying out the MHT Loan Program.

10 (d) The MHT Loan Fund may be used for the following purposes:

11 (1) To make loans to nonprofit organizations, local jurisdictions, business
12 entities, and individuals for the purpose of:

13 (i) Acquiring, rehabilitating, or restoring historic properties; or

14 (ii) Short-term financing for costs directly related to work required
15 or recommended by the Trust or the State Historic Preservation Officer to be
16 undertaken before proceeding with or continuing a construction project in the State
17 being funded with federal or State moneys, which may include the costs of studies,
18 surveys, plans and specifications, and architectural, engineering, or other special
19 services;

20 (2) To cover administrative costs directly related to the MHT Loan
21 Program;

22 (3) To fund the purchase or acquisition by the Trust of historic properties
23 or partial interests in historic properties for use in accordance with the Trust's
24 authorized purposes or for resale or lease subject to appropriate preservation
25 covenants; and

26 (4) To fund the costs of restoration or rehabilitation of historic properties
27 owned by the Trust for use in accordance with the Trust's authorized purposes or for
28 resale or lease subject to appropriate preservation covenants, which may include costs
29 directly related to restoration or rehabilitation such as the cost of studies, surveys,
30 plans and specifications, and architectural, engineering, or other special services.

31 (e) The trustees shall review and make recommendations to the Secretary
32 who shall approve each loan or expenditure of moneys from the MHT Loan Fund.

33 (f) (1) For each loan, with the approval of the Secretary and in accordance
34 with the regulations, the Trust may set:

35 (i) The the principal amount;

- 1 (ii) The maturity;
- 2 (iii) The repayment terms; and
- 3 (iv) The interest rate, which:
- 4 1. Must comply with federal regulations governing the
5 borrowing of moneys by the State, if applicable; and
- 6 2. May be at a preferred rate in relation to rates for similar
7 loans made at the time under the MHT Loan Program if:
- 8 A. The recipient is a nonprofit organization or a local
9 jurisdiction; or
- 10 B. [Upon] ON conclusion of any scheduled restoration or
11 rehabilitation of the historic property, it will be occupied in whole or in part by
12 individuals or families of limited income as determined by the Secretary [under §
13 2-203 of this article].
- 14 (2) (i) Loans made under the MHT Loan Program may be secured by
15 mortgage liens, which may be subordinate to other mortgage liens, guarantees of
16 repayment, or other forms of collateral acceptable to the Trust.
- 17 (ii) Without approval or execution by the Board of Public Works, the
18 Trust may take title to a mortgaged property by foreclosure or by deed in lieu of
19 foreclosure, and thereafter:
- 20 1. Convey title to a buyer; and
- 21 2. Obtain and seek enforcement of a deficiency judgment.
- 22 (3) Loans to individuals and business entities may be made only if
23 private financing cannot otherwise be obtained as shown by documentation in
24 accordance with the regulations.
- 25 (g) The Trust shall:
- 26 (1) Ensure that funding under the MHT Loan Program for the
27 acquisition, restoration, or rehabilitation of historic properties is utilized only if the
28 property has been listed in or is eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic
29 Properties; and
- 30 (2) Require recipients of loans made under the MHT Loan Program to
31 enter into an agreement to preserve and maintain the historic property, which
32 agreement shall be a recordable historic preservation easement if the property is
33 historic real property, unless the Secretary has determined that [such an] THE
34 agreement or easement is impracticable or infeasible under the circumstances in
35 accordance with the regulations.

1 (h) (1) The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of
2 the MHT Loan Program.

3 (2) In addition to provisions otherwise required by this section, the
4 regulations shall include the following:

5 (i) Application procedures;

6 (ii) Procedures for adequate public notice of available assistance
7 under the MHT Loan Program;

8 (iii) Provisions for the review of plans and specifications and the
9 inspection of projects during construction; and

10 (iv) [A set of selection] SELECTION criteria which the Trust must
11 consider in recommending approval of applications for loans and which must include:

12 A. The relative historical or cultural significance of, and
13 urgency of need for, the project being financed with the loan;

14 B. The extent to which there is any proposed contribution by
15 the appropriate local jurisdiction to support the project being financed with the loan;
16 and

17 C. Other RELEVANT factors [that may be relevant, such as]
18 INCLUDING the geographic distribution of loan assistance from the MHT Loan Fund.

19 (i) (1) The Secretary shall submit loans or expenditures from the MHT
20 Loan Fund which were financed through the sale of State general obligation bonds to
21 the Board of Public Works for approval to the extent required by regulations
22 promulgated by the Secretary and approved by the Board of Public Works.

23 (2) Except for expenditures under paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection
24 (d) of this section, loans or expenditures from the MHT Loan Fund shall not otherwise
25 be subject to the provisions of Titles 4 and 5 of the State Finance and Procurement
26 Article of the Code.

27 (j) (1) The MHT Loan Program shall operate as a continuing, nonlapsing,
28 special fund known as the MHT Loan Fund, that consists of:

29 (i) Moneys appropriated by the State to the MHT Loan Program;

30 (ii) Any moneys received from the sale of State general obligation
31 bonds;

32 (iii) Moneys received from other public or private sources;

33 (iv) Repayments of principal and interest on loans made under the
34 MHT Loan Program, or, prior to July 1, 1989, under the Capital Revolving Fund for
35 Historic Preservation;

1 (v) The moneys contained in the Capital Revolving Fund for
2 Historic Preservation which shall be transferred to the MHT Loan Fund as of June
3 30, 1989; and

4 (vi) The proceeds from the resale or lease of any properties
5 originally acquired by the Trust with moneys from the MHT Loan Fund or the Capital
6 Revolving Fund for Historic Preservation prior to July 1, 1989.

7 (2) The State Treasurer shall hold and the State Comptroller shall
8 account for the MHT Loan Fund.

9 (3) The MHT Loan Fund shall be invested and reinvested in the same
10 manner as other State funds.

11 [(3)] (4) The MHT Loan Fund is a special fund within the meaning of §
12 10-306 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Code.

13 [(4)] (5) On or before December 31 of each year, the Trust shall report to
14 the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General
15 Assembly the financial status of the MHT Loan Program and a summary of its
16 operations for the preceding fiscal year.

17 (k) (1) A person may not knowingly make or cause to be made any material
18 misstatement of fact, including an understatement or overstatement of financial
19 condition, in a statement or report in or regarding an application for a loan or
20 affecting a loan already made.

21 (2) [Any] A person who violates [any provision of] this subsection is
22 guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to IMPRISONMENT NOT
23 EXCEEDING 2 YEARS OR a fine not exceeding \$5,000 [or imprisonment not exceeding
24 2 years] or both.

25 3-414.

26 (a) There is a Historic Preservation Grant Program of the Trust, known as the
27 MHT Grant Program.

28 (b) The purpose of the MHT Grant Program is to implement and encourage
29 the preservation of historic properties as well as promote interest in and study of such
30 matters.

31 (c) The Trust shall:

32 (1) Manage, supervise, and administer the MHT Grant Program; and

33 (2) Coordinate the MHT Grant Program with federal or State programs
34 that complement or facilitate carrying out the MHT Grant Program.

35 (d) The MHT Grant Fund may be used for the purposes set forth in [§ 5-705]
36 § 3-505 of this article and for the following purposes:

1 (1) To make grants to nonprofit organizations, local jurisdictions,
2 business entities, and individuals for the purpose of acquiring, rehabilitating, or
3 restoring historic properties;

4 (2) To make grants to nonprofit organizations and local jurisdictions for
5 the purpose of financing costs directly related to a rehabilitation or restoration
6 project, which may include the costs of studies, surveys, plans and specifications, and
7 architectural, engineering, or other special services;

8 (3) To make grants to nonprofit organizations and local jurisdictions for
9 the purpose of funding historic preservation education and promotion, including the
10 research, survey, and evaluation of historic properties and the preparation of historic
11 preservation planning documents and educational materials;

12 (4) To fund the purchase or acquisition by the Trust of historic properties
13 or partial interests in historic properties for use in accordance with the Trust's
14 authorized purposes or for resale or lease subject to appropriate preservation
15 covenants;

16 (5) To fund the costs of restoration or rehabilitation of historic properties
17 owned by the Trust for use in accordance with the Trust's authorized purposes or for
18 resale or lease subject to appropriate preservation covenants, [which may include]
19 INCLUDING costs directly related to restoration or rehabilitation such as the costs of
20 studies, surveys, plans and specifications, and architectural, engineering, or other
21 special services; and

22 (6) To fund historic preservation education and promotion by the Trust,
23 including the research, survey, and evaluation of historic properties and the
24 preparation of historic preservation planning documents and educational materials.

25 (e) (1) The trustees shall review and make recommendations to the
26 Secretary who shall approve each grant or expenditure of moneys from the MHT
27 Grant Fund.

28 (2) Except for the emergency reserve allocation referred to in paragraph
29 (3) of this subsection, the trustees' recommendations to the Secretary on the granting
30 of moneys from the MHT Grant Fund to nonprofit organizations, local jurisdictions,
31 business entities, and individuals shall be based upon a competitive selection process.

32 (3) In any fiscal year, the Secretary may allocate up to 20 percent of the
33 total moneys available in the MHT Grant Fund to be held in reserve for unanticipated
34 emergency use in accordance with subsection (d) of this section.

35 (4) Grants to business entities may not exceed more than 10 percent of
36 all grants made by the Trust under this section.

37 (f) The Trust shall:

38 (1) Ensure that funding under the MHT Grant Program for the
39 acquisition, restoration, or rehabilitation of historic properties is utilized only if the

1 property has been listed in or is eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic
2 Properties; and

3 (2) Require recipients of grants made under the MHT Grant Program to
4 enter into an agreement to preserve and maintain the historic property, which
5 agreement shall be a recordable historic preservation easement if the property is
6 historic real property, unless the Secretary has determined that such an agreement or
7 easement is impracticable or infeasible under the circumstances in accordance with
8 the regulations.

9 (g) (1) The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of
10 the MHT Grant Program.

11 (2) In addition to provisions otherwise required by this section, the
12 regulations shall include [the following]:

13 (i) Application procedures;

14 (ii) Procedures for adequate public notice of available assistance
15 under the MHT Grant Program;

16 (iii) Provisions for the review of plans and specifications and the
17 inspection of projects during construction; and

18 (iv) A set of selection criteria which the Trust must consider in
19 recommending approval of applications for grants and which must include:

20 1. The relative historical or cultural significance of, and
21 urgency of need for, the project being financed with the grant;

22 2. The extent to which there is any proposed contribution by
23 the appropriate local jurisdiction to support the project being financed with the grant;
24 and

25 3. Other RELEVANT factors [that may be relevant, such a]
26 INCLUDING the geographic distribution of grant assistance from the MHT Grant
27 Fund.

28 (h) (1) The Secretary shall submit grants or expenditures from the MHT
29 Grant Fund which were financed through the sale of State general obligation bonds to
30 the Board of Public Works for approval to the extent required by regulations
31 promulgated by the Secretary and approved by the Board of Public Works.

32 (2) Except for expenditures under paragraphs (4) and (5) of subsection
33 (d) of this section, grants or expenditures from the MHT Grant Fund shall not
34 otherwise be subject to the provisions of Titles 4 and 5 of the State Finance and
35 Procurement Article of the Code.

1 (i) (1) There is a Historic Preservation and Historical and Cultural Museum
2 Assistance Grant Fund known as the MHT Grant Fund, which is a continuing,
3 nonlapsing, special fund that consists of:

4 (i) Moneys appropriated by the State to the MHT Grant Program
5 or the Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program established under [§
6 5-703] § 3-503 of this article;

7 (ii) Any moneys received from the sale of State general obligation
8 bonds;

9 (iii) Moneys received from other public or private sources;

10 (iv) The moneys contained in the Capital Grant Fund for Historic
11 Preservation which shall be transferred to the MHT Grant Fund as of June 30, 1989;
12 and

13 (v) The proceeds from the resale or lease of any properties
14 originally acquired by the Trust with moneys from the MHT Grant Fund or the
15 Capital Grant Fund for Historic Preservation prior to July 1, 1989.

16 (2) The State Treasurer shall hold and the State Comptroller shall
17 account for the MHT Grant Fund.

18 (3) The MHT Grant Fund shall be invested and reinvested in the same
19 manner as other State funds.

20 [(3)] (4) On or before December 31 of each year, the Trust shall report to
21 the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General
22 Assembly the financial status of the MHT Grant Program and the Historical and
23 Cultural Museum Assistance Program established under [§ 5-703] § 3-503 of this
24 article and a summary of their operations for the preceding fiscal year.

25 [(4)] (5) The MHT Grant Fund is a special fund within the meaning of §
26 10-306 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Code.

27 (j) (1) A person may not knowingly make or cause to be made any material
28 misstatement of fact, including an understatement or overstatement of financial
29 condition, in a statement or report in or regarding an application for a grant or
30 affecting a grant already made.

31 (2) [Any] A person who violates [any provision of] this subsection is
32 guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or
33 imprisonment not exceeding 2 years or both.

34 3-415.

35 (a) In this section, "Fund" means the Historic Marker Program Fund.

1 (b) There is a Historic Marker Program Fund for the purpose of producing and
2 installing historic markers at sites of statewide historical significance.

3 (c) The Trust shall administer the Fund.

4 (d) (1) The Trust may expend money from the Fund to produce and install
5 historic markers at sites determined by the Trust to possess statewide historical
6 significance:

7 (i) If the site is on State-owned land; or

8 (ii) If the site is on nonstate-owned land and one-half of the cost of
9 producing and installing the historic marker is provided from nonstate sources.

10 (2) Historic markers produced and installed under this section shall be
11 property of the State.

12 (e) (1) The Trust shall approve:

13 (i) The form and text of historic markers established under this
14 section; and

15 (ii) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the
16 location of historic markers established under this section.

17 (2) The unit of State or local government responsible for operation and
18 maintenance of public highway and street rights-of-way shall approve the location
19 and manner of installation of historic markers on public highway and street
20 rights-of-way.

21 (f) The Fund shall consist of:

22 (1) Funds authorized in the State budget;

23 (2) Funds recovered by the State for the replacement of damaged or
24 destroyed historic markers; and

25 (3) Funds from any other source.

26 3-416.

27 (a) In this section, "Fund" means the Lighthouse Preservation Special Fund.

28 (b) There is a Lighthouse Preservation Special Fund in the Department.

29 (c) (1) The Lighthouse Preservation Special Fund is a continuing,
30 nonlapsing, revolving fund to be maintained by the State Treasurer.

31 (2) The State Treasurer shall hold and the State Comptroller shall
32 account for the Fund.

1 [(2)] (3) The Fund shall be invested and reinvested[. Any] AND ANY
2 interest or other investment earnings of the Fund shall be credited and paid into the
3 Fund.

4 [(3)] (4) If cash is received as consideration for the disposition of a
5 capital asset purchased with funds from [this special fund] THE FUND, [that] THE
6 cash shall be applied to the [special fund] FUND as provided by § 10-306(c)(2) of the
7 State Finance and Procurement Article.

8 [(4)] (5) No part of the [Lighthouse Preservation Special] Fund may
9 revert or be credited to the General Fund or any other special fund of the State.

10 (d) The Maryland Historical Trust may:

11 (1) Apply for and accept any fund or grant from any federal, State, local,
12 or private source for credit to the Fund that might assist with the preservation of
13 lighthouses in the State that are publicly owned or not for profit; and

14 (2) Contract for and sell by any method any item that relates to
15 lighthouse preservation, the proceeds from which shall be credited to the Fund.

16 (e) (1) With the advice of a lighthouse preservation advisor appointed by the
17 Secretary to serve without compensation, the Trust may use money in the Fund:

18 (i) To preserve any lighthouse in the State that is publicly owned
19 or not for profit;

20 (ii) For Maryland lighthouse preservation, education, and
21 promotion; and

22 (iii) To compensate staff employed by the Trust to administer the
23 Fund.

24 (2) The Trust may not use any money in the Fund for any other purpose
25 of the Trust.

26 (f) On or before January 30 of each year, the Maryland Historical Trust shall
27 report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to
28 the budget committees of the General Assembly on the financial status of the Fund
29 during the preceding fiscal year.

30 3-417.

31 (a) The Trust shall compile a Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties which
32 shall consist of all districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects of known or
33 potential value to the prehistory, history, upland and underwater archeology,
34 architecture, engineering, and culture of this State.

35 (b) (1) The Trust shall compile a Maryland Register of Historic Properties
36 which shall include all properties listed in or determined by the Director to be eligible

1 for listing in the National Register of Historic Places by the United States
2 Department of the Interior.

3 (2) The Trust shall adopt regulations specifying procedures and criteria
4 of eligibility for inclusion of properties in the Maryland Register of Historic
5 Properties.

6 (c) Determinations of eligibility made by the Director may be appealed to the
7 Governor's Consulting Committee on the National Register of Historic Places whose
8 determination shall be final.

9 (d) [Any information] INFORMATION from the inventory or register relating
10 to the location and character of a historic property shall be confidential if the Director
11 determines that disclosure will create a substantial risk of harm, theft, or destruction
12 to the property or the area or place where the property is located.

13 3-418.

14 (a) There is a Maryland Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

15 (b) The Council shall consist of [7] SEVEN voting members appointed by the
16 Governor:

17 (1) The Secretary, ex officio, who shall serve as chairman;

18 (2) The Secretary of General Services, ex officio;

19 (3) The Secretary of Transportation, ex officio;

20 (4) The [Director] SECRETARY of Planning, EX OFFICIO;

21 (5) [2] TWO individuals with expertise in architecture, history,
22 archeology, or other appropriate discipline relating to historic preservation; and

23 (6) [1] ONE individual from the general public.

24 (c) A cabinet member on the Council may designate the deputy secretary of
25 the represented department to act in the Secretary's absence.

26 (d) (1) Except for State officials or their representatives, the term of a
27 member is 4 years.

28 (2) The terms of the public members are staggered as required by the
29 terms provided for members of the Council on July 1, 1985.

30 (3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is
31 appointed and qualifies.

32 (4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only the
33 rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

1 (e) (1) A majority of the full authorized membership of the Council is a
2 quorum.

3 (2) The Council shall determine the times and places of its meetings.

4 (3) A member of the Council[:

5 (i) May] MAY not receive compensation[;], but

6 [(ii) Is] IS entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the
7 Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

8 (f) The Director of the Trust shall serve as secretary and staff to the Council.

9 (g) The Council shall review and comment on State undertakings as provided
10 in [§ 5-617] § 3-419 of this subtitle.

11 3-419.

12 (a) (1) (I) State units may consult with the Trust to develop plans or
13 interagency agreements for the identification, evaluation, and management of
14 properties owned or controlled by the unit that are listed in or determined to be
15 eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic Properties.

16 (II) Capital projects undertaken in accordance with a plan approved
17 by the Trust or an interagency agreement shall not be subject to any additional
18 review requirements under this section.

19 (2) To the extent feasible, prior to submission of a request for a capital
20 project to the Department of Budget and Management under § 3-602 of the State
21 Finance and Procurement Article [of the Code], or prior to or as part of the final
22 project planning phase for a major transportation capital project as defined in §
23 2-103.1 of the Transportation Article, the requesting or responsible State unit shall
24 consult with the Trust to determine if the proposed capital project [or projects] will
25 adversely affect any property listed in or eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic
26 Properties.

27 (3) To the extent not otherwise reviewed by the Trust under this section,
28 prior to approval of the use of the proceeds of State general obligation bonds by the
29 Board of Public Works, the Department of Budget and Management, or the
30 responsible State unit shall consult with the Trust to determine if any nonstate
31 capital project will adversely affect any property listed in or eligible for the Maryland
32 Register of Historic Properties.

33 (4) To the extent feasible, and as early in the planning process as
34 possible, a State unit utilizing nonbudgeted funds for capital projects subject to the
35 reporting requirements of § 3-602 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, shall
36 consult with the Trust to determine if the capital project will adversely affect any
37 property listed in or eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic Properties.

1 (b) (1) For capital projects reviewed under subsection (a) of this section, the
2 Director shall determine whether the projects will adversely affect any property listed
3 in or eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic Properties on or before 30 days
4 from the date of notification by a unit of the State government.

5 (2) If the Director determines that the proposed project will have a
6 significant adverse effect on a listed or eligible property, the State unit and the
7 Director shall consult to determine if a feasible and practicable means to avoid,
8 mitigate, or satisfactorily reduce the adverse effect exists.

9 (c) If the Director and the State unit are unable to agree on a plan to avoid,
10 mitigate, or satisfactorily reduce the adverse effect, the State unit shall submit to the
11 Council a report of the consultations and the findings and recommendations of the
12 State unit.

13 (d) Within 30 days after the receipt of the report of the State unit involved, the
14 Council shall submit to the unit:

15 (1) Comments accepting the adverse effect; or

16 (2) Comments recommending practicable and feasible alternatives that
17 exist to avoid, mitigate, or satisfactorily reduce the adverse effect.

18 (e) (1) The State unit may proceed with the undertaking incorporating the
19 alternatives recommended by the Council, if any; or

20 (2) If the State unit disagrees with the comments of the Council, the
21 State unit shall:

22 (i) Submit to the Council a written response explaining why the
23 unit refuses to adopt the measures included in the comments of the Council; and

24 (ii) Refrain from proceeding with the undertaking until at least 10
25 working days after the submission of the response to the Council.

26 (f) The Trust shall adopt [rules and] regulations that establish procedures
27 and standards:

28 (1) For administrative review and comment under this section, including
29 time frames for Trust action on specific categories of projects;

30 (2) To exempt categories of programs or projects or a specific project from
31 any of the requirements of this section when the exemption is determined to be
32 consistent with the purposes of this subtitle, and the best interests of the State,
33 taking into consideration the magnitude of the exempted program, project, or projects
34 and the likelihood of impairment of historic properties; and

35 (3) To provide for participation by other units of the State government,
36 local governments, private organizations, and other entities in proceedings under this
37 section that may affect their interests.

1 (g) In accordance with the regulations to be adopted by the Trust under
2 subsection (f) of this section, the provisions of this section may be applied to [any] AN
3 undertaking that is subject to § 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

4 3-420.

5 (a) In cooperation with the Trust and subject to available resources, each
6 State unit shall:

7 (1) Establish a program to identify, document, and nominate to the Trust
8 all properties owned or controlled by the unit that appear to qualify for inclusion in
9 the Maryland Register of Historic Properties;

10 (2) Exercise caution to ensure that [any] property that is listed in or
11 determined eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic Properties is not
12 inadvertently transferred, sold, demolished, destroyed, substantially altered, or
13 allowed to deteriorate significantly; and

14 (3) Prior to acquiring, constructing, or leasing a building for the purpose
15 of carrying out the unit's responsibilities, use, to the extent prudent and practicable,
16 any historic building under its control and available to the unit.

17 (b) Each State unit shall initiate measures to ensure that when, as a result of
18 State action or financial assistance being provided by the unit, a historic property is
19 to be substantially altered or destroyed, timely steps shall be taken to:

20 (1) Make appropriate investigations, records, or salvage; and

21 (2) Deposit the results of investigations, records, recovered objects, and
22 materials with the Trust.

23 (c) Each State unit shall cooperate with the Trust by:

24 (1) [providing] PROVIDING, when requested, notice of applications for
25 permits, licenses, or financial assistance; and

26 (2) [by requiring] REQUIRING, where appropriate, consultation with the
27 Trust by an applicant, prior to final action by the unit on the request for a permit,
28 license, or financial assistance.

29 (d) A State unit proposing to transfer surplus State-owned properties listed in
30 or eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic Properties shall ensure that the
31 proposed disposition provides for the preservation or enhancement of the property
32 where prudent, practicable, and in the State's best interest.

33 (e) A State unit may:

34 (1) Include the capital costs of preservation activities, excluding studies
35 and surveys, undertaken pursuant to the requirements of this subtitle as eligible

1 project costs in any undertaking of the unit or any undertaking with financial
2 assistance provided by the unit.

3 (2) After consultation with the Trust, require reasonable conditions on
4 any license, permit, or award of financial assistance for a proposed undertaking to
5 avoid, mitigate, or satisfactorily reduce any significant adverse effect on a property
6 listed in or determined eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic Properties.

7 (f) A State unit may seek guidance from the Advisory Council established
8 under [§ 5-616] § 3-418 of this subtitle regarding conditions applicable to permits,
9 licenses, and financial assistance authorized under subsection (e)(2) of this section.

10 (g) (1) The Trust shall adopt [rules and] regulations establishing
11 professional standards, guidelines, and procedures for the preservation of historic
12 properties owned, controlled, regulated, or assisted by a State unit.

13 (2) [These standards, guidelines, and procedures] THE REGULATIONS
14 shall minimize the need for Trust review and avoid administrative duplication and
15 time delays.

16 (h) In accordance with the regulations to be adopted by the Trust under
17 subsection (g) of this section, the provisions of this section may be applied to any
18 undertaking that is subject to § 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

19 3-421.

20 (a) Failure by a State unit to comply with the provisions of [§§ 5-617 and
21 5-618] §§ 3-419 AND 3-420 of this subtitle does not create a private cause of action
22 under the laws of this State.

23 (b) A person may appeal the reasonableness of any license or permit condition
24 in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

25 3-422.

26 (a) [Any] A person may inspect, study, explore, photograph, measure, record,
27 or otherwise use and enjoy a submerged archaeological historic property on
28 submerged lands over which the State has sovereign control without being required to
29 obtain a permit if the use or activity:

30 (1) Does not involve excavation, destruction, or substantive injury or
31 disturbance of such historic property or its immediate environment;

32 (2) Does not endanger other persons or property; and

33 (3) Does not violate existing regulations or provisions of law.

34 (b) A person may not excavate, destroy, or substantively injure or disturb a
35 submerged archaeological historic property on submerged lands over which the State

1 has sovereign control without a permit from the Trust. Nothing contained in this
2 subtitle abrogates or supplants any power of the State Highway Administration.

3 (c) The Trust shall establish a program for the issuance and administration of
4 permits for any activity involving the excavation, destruction, or substantive injury or
5 disturbance of submerged archaeological historic property on submerged lands over
6 which the State has sovereign control.

7 (d) (1) The Trust may issue an exclusive permit for the excavation,
8 destruction, or substantive injury or disturbance of submerged archaeological historic
9 property on submerged lands over which the State has sovereign control to any
10 person [or entity] for [such] A period of time and under [such] THE conditions [as]
11 DETERMINED BY the Trust [may deem appropriate].

12 (2) After an agreement has been entered into pursuant to [§ 5-611.1(c)]
13 § 3-412(C) of this subtitle, permits may be issued if the Trust determines that:

14 [(1)] (I) Issuance of a permit is in the best interest of the State; and

15 [(2)] (II) The applicant for [such a] THE permit has submitted a
16 research plan that meets standards established by the Trust regarding professional
17 qualifications, techniques and methodology for recovery and dissemination of data,
18 and proper conservation of information and materials.

19 (e) The Trust may not issue a permit to a person seeking title to a submerged
20 archaeological historic property [or any portion thereof], or to a person or entity
21 seeking to utilize a submerged archaeological historic property for commercial
22 salvage or other income-producing purposes, unless:

23 (1) Issuance of such a permit is consistent with the purposes of
24 subsection (d)(2)(II) of this section;

25 (2) The applicant has provided the Trust with some form of assurance
26 acceptable to the Trust that the project will be carried out and completed in
27 accordance with the research plan approved by the Trust; and

28 (3) The Trust finds that one or more of the following conditions is met:

29 (i) The property to be excavated or disturbed is[, in the opinion of
30 the Trust,] threatened with imminent destruction or substantial damage by natural
31 factors or by human factors unrelated to the commercial excavation or disturbance of
32 the submerged archaeological historic property in question;

33 (ii) The submerged archaeological historic property is not, in the
34 opinion of the Trust, of major scientific, archaeological, anthropological, historical,
35 recreational, or other public value;

36 (iii) The proposed disturbance will be minor in scale and will
37 produce information relevant to the Maryland comprehensive historic preservation
38 plan prepared by the Trust under [§ 5-607(b)(4)] § 3-407(B)(4) of this subtitle; or

1 (iv) That the [subject] property of the permit will not be excavated
2 by any other person in the foreseeable future and that historic property will remain
3 submerged until that time.

4 (f) The Trust may charge reasonable fees for the issuance of permits and may
5 require a permittee to assist in defraying the cost of the Trust's review,
6 administration, and supervision of the permit.

7 (g) (1) The Director and the Director's designee are empowered to enforce
8 the provisions of this section and may:

9 (i) Issue summonses for violations of this section or of any permit
10 issued pursuant to this section;

11 (ii) Appropriate objects or materials taken, collected, or otherwise
12 disturbed from a submerged archaeological historic property contrary to the terms of
13 a permit, or without a permit if such action took place following the effective date of
14 this section; and

15 (iii) Revoke [any permits] A PERMIT issued [pursuant to] UNDER
16 this section if there is a finding that the permit was improperly issued or if the terms
17 of the issued permit have been violated.

18 (2) If the Director's exercise of powers under [items (i) through (iii) of]
19 paragraph [(1)] (1)(I) THROUGH (III) of this subsection gives rise to a contested case as
20 defined in § 10-202(d) of the State Government Article, the Trust shall afford the
21 affected persons or permittees an opportunity for an agency hearing in accordance
22 with the procedures specified in the Department's regulations relating to contested
23 cases.

24 (h) (1) A permit is not required of the Trust for any undertaking provided for
25 by this section.

26 (2) [However, before any such] BEFORE AN undertaking is initiated, the
27 Trust shall secure approval from the Board of Public Works.

28 (i) (1) The Trust shall:

29 [(1)] (I) Establish an educational program for the training of interested
30 members of the public in the identification and registration of submerged
31 archaeological historic property, and certify those who have successfully completed
32 such training; and

33 [(2)] (II) Subject to the approval of the Secretary and in consultation
34 with appropriate public and private sector groups in the State including sport divers,
35 professional dive operators, dive clubs, salvors, archaeologists, commercial fishermen,
36 and historic preservationists, as well as the Federal Advisory Council on Historic
37 Preservation, adopt [rules and] regulations for the issuance of permits and the
38 disposition or transfer of submerged archaeological historic property under this
39 subtitle.

1 (2) [These] THE regulations shall provide [specifically] that [any
2 individuals] AN INDIVIDUAL, without a permit, may collect on a small scale from
3 submerged archaeological historic properties a limited number of objects or materials
4 which can be recovered from such properties by hand or through the use of
5 screwdrivers, wrenches, or pliers.

6 (3) The State [, however,] shall not be liable for any injuries or losses
7 sustained by [such individuals] AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS
8 SUBSECTION.

9 3-423.

10 (a) The provisions of this subtitle pertaining to the protection of submerged
11 archaeological historic property, terrestrial archaeological historic property, and
12 archaeological historic property in caves as provided in [§ 5-628] § 3-430 of this
13 subtitle may apply [also] to [such] property located on privately owned lands if:

14 (1) The owner [or owners petition] PETITIONS the Trust in writing to
15 apply [such] THE provisions to the property; and

16 (2) The Trust determines that the property is eligible for the Maryland
17 Register of Historic Properties and warrants [such] protection.

18 (b) Unless the land is controlled by the State within the meaning of [§
19 5-601(f)] § 3-401(F) of this subtitle, nothing in this subtitle shall be deemed to limit or
20 prohibit the use of privately owned land by the owner of such land, or by a guest of the
21 owner, or to require the owner or guest to obtain a permit from the Trust for
22 excavation or any other activity on [such] THE privately owned land.

23 (c) A person who knows the location of any archaeological site in the State is
24 encouraged to communicate the information to a reputable museum, an institution of
25 higher education, a recognized scientific or historical institution or organization, or
26 the Trust.

27 3-424.

28 (a) (1) There is an Archaeology Office in the Trust.

29 (2) The administrative head of the Office is the Chief Archaeologist, who
30 shall be a professional archaeologist whom the Director employs in accordance with
31 [§ 5-609] § 3-409 of this subtitle.

32 (3) The Director shall also employ a State Terrestrial Archaeologist and a
33 State Underwater Archaeologist in accordance with [§ 5-609] § 3-409 of this subtitle.

34 (2) (4) Each archaeologist employed under this subsection shall
35 possess an advanced degree in archaeology or a closely related field from an
36 accredited college or university.

1 (b) (1) All archaeologists within the Trust and employees hired to perform
2 archaeological work within the Trust, excluding persons specifically assigned to
3 parks, museums, and other site-specific facilities under the jurisdiction of the Trust,
4 shall be staff members of the Archaeology Office.

5 (2) The employees may be assigned archaeological-related functions
6 within other units of the Trust but shall remain staff members of the Archaeology
7 Office.

8 3-425.

9 (a) The Archaeology Office shall:

10 (1) Include a research unit that will engage in, and direct fundamental
11 research into the archaeology of the State, synthesize existing research data, and
12 encourage archaeological research and investigation undertaken by any scientific or
13 historical institution or organization, museum, or institution of higher education in
14 the State;

15 (2) Cooperate in excavation of sites of historical or archaeological
16 significance in custody or control of any other State unit;

17 (3) Encourage the preservation of prehistoric or historic sites located on
18 privately owned lands in the State;

19 (4) Coordinate the retrieval and preservation of objects of archaeological
20 significance discovered during the course of any public construction in the State;

21 (5) Cooperate with and assist museums, institutions of higher education,
22 and scientific or historical institutions and organizations in the preservation and
23 protection of objects and materials of archaeological nature in their custody;

24 (6) Make available to museums, institutions of higher education, and
25 scientific or historical institutions and organizations objects and materials suitable
26 for demonstrating the archaeological history of the State;

27 (7) Make available to public and private schools in the State exhibits,
28 and assist in the instruction of pupils as to the manner of life of the early settlers and
29 natives of the State;

30 (8) Cooperate with similar agencies of other states for the general
31 purpose of preserving archaeological sites and objects and materials of archaeological
32 significance and prevent the exploitation of these sites, objects, and materials in this
33 State by institutions or agencies of other states;

34 (9) Disseminate archaeological facts and materials through publication
35 of reports of archaeological research and investigation;

1 (10) Establish an educational program for the training of interested
2 members of the public in the identification, investigation, and registration of
3 terrestrial archaeological historic property;

4 (11) Prepare a list of prioritized research goals and objectives to guide the
5 Trust and the Department's Division of Historical and Cultural Programs in selecting
6 archaeological research projects that they will perform;

7 (12) In consultation with the Advisory Committee on Archaeology
8 established by [§ 5-624] § 3-426 of this subtitle, develop a policy that specifies
9 circumstances under which the Trust may directly perform archaeological
10 investigations which have been required in order to comply with State or federal
11 statutes or regulations administered by the Trust or the State Historic Preservation
12 Officer; and

13 (13) Annually furnish to the Advisory Committee on Archaeology
14 established by [§ 5-624] § 3-426 of this subtitle a copy of that portion of the Trust's
15 annual report to the Governor required by [§ 5-607(b)(16)] § 3-407(B)(16) of this
16 subtitle relating to the Trust's archaeological activities.

17 (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, nothing in this
18 subtitle shall be deemed to require that archaeologists, other than those employed or
19 hired by the Trust, shall adhere to archaeological research goals or objectives
20 developed by the Archaeology Office in accordance with this section.

21 (2) Archaeologists performing projects governed by State or federal
22 statutes or regulations administered by the Trust or the State Historic Preservation
23 Officer shall adhere to those goals or objectives to the extent required by pertinent
24 statutes or regulations.

25 3-426.

26 (a) (1) There is an Advisory Committee on Archaeology.

27 (2) [It] THE BOARD consists of [7] SEVEN members APPOINTED BY
28 [whom] the Governor [appoints upon] ON recommendation of the Secretary, with the
29 advice and consent of the Senate[.].

30 (3) THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE SELECTED from among
31 persons who have skill and knowledge in archaeological matters including:

32 (I) [representatives] REPRESENTATIVES of reputable
33 museums[.];

34 (II) [institutions] INSTITUTIONS of higher education[.];

35 (III) [recognized] RECOGNIZED scientific or historical societies or
36 institutions; and

1 (IV) [qualified] QUALIFIED private firms that provide
2 archaeological services.

3 (4) The Committee shall choose a chairman.

4 (5) There shall be at least four meetings a year held at [the call of]
5 TIMES DETERMINED BY the chairman.

6 (6) The Chief Archaeologist or at least one of the State Archaeologists
7 referred to in [§ 5-622] § 3-424 of this subtitle shall attend all Advisory Committee
8 meetings.

9 (b) (1) The members of the Committee shall serve terms of 3 years.

10 (2) The terms of these members are staggered as required by the terms
11 of the members serving on July 1, 1990.

12 (3) A member appointed to fill a vacancy in an unexpired term or to
13 succeed a member who is holding over serves only for the remainder of the term.

14 (4) A member appointed to serve a term of less than 3 years for the
15 purpose of implementing staggered terms[,] may be reappointed to serve a full
16 3-year term.

17 (c) The members of the Committee shall serve without compensation, but
18 each member shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred while actually engaged in the
19 performance of duties in accordance with the Standard State Travel Regulations as
20 provided in the State budget.

21 (d) The Committee shall advise and assist the Archaeology Office on
22 archaeological matters and shall review policies, plans, and rules and regulations
23 regarding archaeological matters.

24 (e) After consultation with the Committee, the Secretary shall advise the
25 Governor regarding the appointment of trustees qualified in the field of archaeology.
26 3-427.

27 (A) A person may not excavate, appropriate, injure, or destroy any terrestrial
28 archaeological site on land the State owns or controls without a permit from the
29 Trust.

30 (B) A permit is not required of the Trust for any undertaking provided for by
31 this section or [§ 5-626] § 3-428 of this subtitle.

32 3-428.

33 (A) The Trust may grant a permit for archaeological excavation of a terrestrial
34 archaeological site on land the State owns or controls to [any] A person [or
35 institution who or which] THAT in the Trust's judgment is qualified to conduct an

1 excavation to gather objects and materials of historical or archaeological value or
2 interest.

3 (B) (1) The Trust may adopt [and promulgate rules and] regulations for
4 terrestrial archaeological excavation.

5 (2) The [rules and] regulations shall be designed to assure proper
6 safeguarding and preservation of the objects and materials for the people of the State.

7 (C) Terrestrial archaeological excavation shall be conducted only for the
8 benefit of reputable museums, institutions of higher education, or other recognized
9 scientific or historical institutions or organizations, so as to increase knowledge and
10 appreciation of archaeological objects and materials.

11 3-429.

12 (a) Except as provided in subsection [(b)] (C) of this section, [any] AN object
13 or material of historical or archaeological value or interest found on a submerged or
14 terrestrial archaeological site or land the State owns or controls is the property of the
15 State.

16 (B) Except as otherwise provided under this subtitle for submerged
17 archaeological historic property, [it] AN OBJECT OR MATERIAL OF HISTORICAL OR
18 ARCHAEOLOGICAL VALUE OR INTEREST FOUND UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS
19 SECTION shall be deposited for permanent preservation in a reputable museum,
20 institution of higher education, or with a recognized scientific or historical institution
21 or organization.

22 [(b)] (C) (1) Subject to applicable federal law, and subject to paragraph (2) of
23 this subsection, the Trust may transfer any human remains, including Native
24 American human remains, in its possession, custody, or control to an appropriate
25 place of repose.

26 (2) If the cultural affiliation of human remains and associated funerary
27 objects can be established with a particular cultural group, the Trust may transfer the
28 remains and any associated funerary objects in its possession, custody, or control, in
29 the following order of priority to:

30 (i) Descendants of the deceased; or

31 (ii) Groups established as culturally affiliated with the deceased,
32 including Native American tribes, bands, groups, or clans.

33 [(c)] (D) (1) Except for Native American human remains and associated
34 funerary objects subject to subsection [(b)(2)] (C)(2) of this section, the Trust may
35 transfer the remains and objects to a reputable museum, institution of higher
36 education, or recognized scientific or historical institution or organization for study, if
37 the study of human remains and objects:

1 (i) Is an essential part of scientific research, the outcome of which
2 will be of benefit to Maryland; and

3 (ii) Will be completed and the items returned to the Trust within 1
4 year of the date of the transfer, except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection.

5 (2) (i) A museum, institution of higher education, or recognized
6 scientific or historical institution or organization that has made a good faith effort to
7 complete the study within 1 year, but is unable to do so, may request from the Trust
8 an extension of time.

9 (ii) Upon request, the Trust may extend the time for completion of a
10 study only in accordance with the regulations adopted by the Trust.

11 [(d)] (E) (1) In consultation with the Commission on Indian Affairs, the
12 Trust shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.

13 (2) Regulations adopted in accordance with paragraph (1) of this
14 subsection shall include:

15 (i) Procedures for determining the appropriate disposition of
16 human remains for which descent or cultural affiliation cannot be established;

17 (ii) Specific time frames and procedures for the extension of a study
18 of human remains and associated funerary objects beyond 1 year; and

19 (iii) Procedures to account for [any] human remains and associated
20 funerary objects that are transferred on a temporary basis for study to a museum,
21 institution of higher education, or recognized scientific or historical institution or
22 organization.

23 3-430.

24 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a person may not
25 excavate, remove, destroy, injure, deface, or in any manner disturb any burial
26 grounds, historic or prehistoric ruins, or archaeological site or any part of any such
27 burial grounds, ruins, or site, including relics, inscriptions, saltpeter workings,
28 fossils, bones, remains of historical human activity, or any other archaeological,
29 prehistoric, and historic features which may be found in any cave.

30 (b) (1) A person trained in archaeology may request a permit from the Trust
31 to excavate or remove archaeological, prehistoric, and historic features from a cave on
32 land the State owns or controls consistent with the provisions relating to permits for
33 terrestrial sites set forth in [§§ 5-625] §§ 3-427 through [5-627] 3-429 of this subtitle.

34 (2) (i) A person trained in archaeology may request a permit from the
35 Trust to excavate or remove archaeological, prehistoric, and historic features from a
36 cave on privately owned land subject to the following provisions:

1 1. The permit may be issued for a period of up to 2 years and
2 may be renewed at expiration.

3 2. The permit is not transferable but does not preclude
4 persons from working under the direct supervision of the person holding the permit.

5 3. A person applying for a permit shall:

6 A. Be trained in archaeology;

7 B. Provide a detailed statement to the Trust giving the
8 reasons and objectives for excavation or removal and the benefits expected to be
9 obtained from the contemplated work;

10 C. Agree to provide data and results to the Trust of any
11 excavation, study, or collection in accordance with the terms of the permit;

12 D. Obtain the prior written permission of the owner; and

13 E. Agree to carry the permit while exercising the privileges
14 granted.

15 (ii) Any object or material of archaeological, prehistoric, or historic
16 value or interest found in a cave on privately owned land is the property of the owner
17 of the land.

18 (c) If any person using a cave for recreational or scientific purposes with the
19 prior consent of the owner and without any charge for [such] THE use made by the
20 owner sustains any injuries, the owner and his authorized agents acting within the
21 scope of their authority shall not be liable for those injuries sustained.

22 3-431.

23 (a) The Director is empowered to enforce the provisions of this subtitle
24 relating to terrestrial archaeological historic property and archaeological historic
25 property found in caves in the same manner as provided in [§ 5-620(g)] § 3-422(G) of
26 this subtitle for submerged archaeological historic property.

27 (b) If the Director takes any enforcement action under this section, the
28 Director shall provide notice that a hearing will be held by the Secretary in
29 accordance with the contested case procedures adopted under § 10-204 of the State
30 Government Article within 30 days of the action unless a different time period has
31 been agreed upon by the parties.

32 3-432.

33 (a) (1) [Any] A person or entity who violates [§§ 5-620] §§ 3-422 and
34 [5-625] 3-427 through [5-628] 3-430 of this subtitle or any regulation adopted under
35 it shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and [upon] ON conviction [is] subject to
36 IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 30 DAYS OR a fine not [to exceed] EXCEEDING

1 \$1,000 [or imprisonment for a term not to exceed 30 days,] or both, with costs
2 imposed at the discretion of the court, and, if the person or entity holds a permit
3 issued under [§ 5-620, § 5-626 or § 5-628] § 3-422, § 3-428, OR § 3-430 of this subtitle,
4 the permit may be revoked by the court upon request by the Trust.

5 (2) A separate offense shall exist for each day a violation continues.

6 (b) (1) [Any] A person or entity who violates the terms of a permit issued to
7 utilize a submerged archaeological historic property for commercial salvage or other
8 income producing purposes under [§ 5-620] § 3-422 of this subtitle is guilty of a
9 misdemeanor and upon conviction is subject to IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 1
10 YEAR OR a fine not [to exceed] EXCEEDING \$10,000 [or imprisonment for a term not
11 to exceed 1 year,] or both, with costs imposed at the discretion of the court, and the
12 permit may be revoked by the court upon request by the Trust.

13 (2) A separate offense shall exist for each day a violation continues.

14 (c) All materials and recorded information which are obtained in violation of
15 the provisions of [§ 5-620] § 3-422 or [§§ 5-625] §§ 3-427 through [5-628] 3-430 of
16 this subtitle shall be subject to appropriation by the State, and will be managed, cared
17 for, and administered by the Trust.

18 Subtitle 5. Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program.

19 3-501.

20 (a) It is hereby found and declared by the General Assembly that:

21 (1) Historical and cultural heritage museums present, interpret, and
22 preserve unusual and significant objects of the State's heritage for the benefit,
23 enjoyment, and education of the citizens from every community in the State;

24 (2) Historical and cultural heritage museums are unique and beneficial
25 resources which supplement the State's educational system;

26 (3) These museums are the repositories and caretakers of irreplaceable
27 cultural items for the benefit not only of today's generation, but of those yet to come;

28 (4) Museums, many of which are located in small communities, play an
29 important and cost effective role in the leisure time and tourism industry of the State;
30 and

31 (5) It is desirable that the entire history and heritage of the State be
32 displayed and interpreted to the public where it happened, creating centers of
33 community pride and dispersing tourist activity throughout the State, since it is
34 neither feasible nor desirable to try to display that heritage in a single facility at one
35 location.

36 (b) The General Assembly therefore declares that the public interest is served
37 by the establishment of a program of financial assistance to help historical and

1 cultural heritage museums become more accessible to the citizens and visitors of the
2 State, and to assist the citizenry in better understanding its diverse cultural heritage
3 by supporting the upgrade, care, research, interpretation, documentation, and display
4 of the State's irreplaceable historical, and cultural museum collections.

5 3-502.

6 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

7 (b) "Local jurisdiction" means any county or any municipal corporation subject
8 to the provisions of Article XI-E of the Maryland Constitution, and any duly
9 authorized agency or instrumentality of a local jurisdiction.

10 (c) "Museum" means a facility in the State which is organized on a nonprofit
11 basis for essentially educational or preservation purposes, and which:

12 (1) Owns or utilizes tangible inanimate objects;

13 (2) Is organized for the care of those objects and exhibits them to the
14 public on a regular schedule; and

15 (3) Interprets the State's cultural heritage or the State's history, natural
16 history, or history of science and technology.

17 (d) "Nonprofit organization" means a corporation, foundation, local
18 jurisdiction, or other legal entity, THAT HAS no part of the net earnings [of which
19 inures] INURING to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual holding an
20 interest in such entity.

21 (e) "Operating support" means necessary administrative, technical, and
22 professional service and related expenses.

23 (F) "PANEL" MEANS THE MUSEUM ASSISTANCE REVIEW PANEL.

24 [(f)] (G) "Program" means the Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance
25 Program.

26 [(g)] (H) "Trust" or "MHT" means the Maryland Historical Trust.

27 3-503.

28 (a) There is an Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program of the
29 Maryland Historical Trust.

30 (b) The purpose of the Program is to provide assistance to local jurisdictions
31 and private nonprofit organizations for museums.

32 3-504.

33 (a) (1) There is a Museum Assistance Review Panel appointed by the
34 Secretary, as part of the Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program.

1 (2) Members of the Panel shall fairly represent museums eligible for
2 assistance under this subtitle.

3 (3) The Panel shall include 3 ex officio members as follows:

4 (i) The President of the Senate of Maryland or the President's
5 designee;

6 (ii) The Speaker of the House of Delegates of Maryland or the
7 Speaker's designee; and

8 (iii) 1 representative of the Executive Branch with functions related
9 to the purposes of the Program.

10 (b) (1) The Panel shall review and make recommendations to the Secretary
11 for approval of grants under the Program.

12 (2) Except for the reserve allocation provided for in [§ 5-705(b)(3)]
13 3-505(B)(3) of this subtitle, the Panel's recommendations shall be made following a
14 competitive selection process.

15 (c) The Panel shall seek the advice and recommendations of the Maryland
16 State Archivist in reviewing grant applications that [in whole or in part] relate to the
17 care or preservation of, or access to, archival material.

18 (d) The Panel shall advise the Secretary and Trust staff regarding Program
19 policies and activities.

20 3-505.

21 (a) The Trust shall:

22 (1) Manage, supervise, and administer the Program; and

23 (2) Coordinate the Program with federal, State, or private programs that
24 complement or facilitate carrying out the Program.

25 (b) (1) The purpose of the Program is to make grants from the MHT Grant
26 Fund established under [§ 5-613] § 3-414 of this article to local jurisdictions and
27 nonprofit organizations for use by museums for:

28 (i) Research related to collections, exhibits or other educational
29 activities;

30 (ii) The care, conservation, interpretation, and documentation of
31 collections;

32 (iii) The planning, design, and construction of exhibits;

33 (iv) Educational programs and projects;

- 1 (v) The development of master plans for museums, including
2 activities required to achieve accreditation by the American Association of Museums
3 or other pertinent entity that provides museum accreditation;
- 4 (vi) The construction of minor structural modifications to existing
5 museum facilities;
- 6 (vii) The development of plans and specifications and the provision
7 of architectural, engineering, or other special services directly related to the
8 construction or rehabilitation of museum facilities; or
- 9 (viii) Operating support for any museum-related activity including
10 activities described in subparagraphs (i) through (vii) of this paragraph.

11 (2) Grants may not be made:

12 (i) For museums that concurrently receive operating support from
13 the Maryland State Arts Council; or

14 (ii) For museums operated[, in whole or in part,] by the State.

15 (3) In any fiscal year, the Secretary may allocate up to 20 percent of the
16 total moneys available in the MHT Grant Fund to be held in reserve for unanticipated
17 projects that are eligible for assistance in accordance with subsection (b) of this
18 section.

19 (4) The Trust shall make grants for museums giving due consideration to
20 equal geographic distribution throughout the State.

21 (5) The Trust may not make a grant for a museum under this Program
22 unless the museum has been in existence as a nonprofit institution for at least 3 years
23 prior to the date of application for the grant.

24 (c) The Trust shall:

25 (1) Conduct a survey to identify the locations, resources, and needs of
26 museums in the State;

27 (2) Provide technical and general advisory assistance to museums that
28 qualify or seek to qualify for grants under the Program; and

29 (3) Encourage the development of long-range planning and accreditation
30 by the American Association of Museums or other pertinent entity that provides
31 museum accreditation and assists museums in meeting professional standards.

32 (d) (1) The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of
33 the Program.

34 (2) The regulations shall include:

35 (i) Application procedures and review processes;

1 (ii) Procedures for adequate public notice of available assistance
2 under the Program; and

3 (iii) [A set of selection] SELECTION criteria which the Review Panel
4 shall consider in recommending approval of applications for grants and which must
5 include:

6 1. The relative merits of the project or activities within
7 identified statewide needs;

8 2. The extent to which there is any contribution by the
9 appropriate local jurisdiction to support the project being financed with the grant;

10 3. The potential for the project to stimulate increased
11 tourism, attendance, or museum self-sufficiency; and

12 4. Other factors that may be relevant, such as the geographic
13 distribution of grant assistance under the Program.

14 (e) (1) A person may not knowingly make or cause to be made any material
15 misstatement of fact in a statement or report in or regarding an application for a
16 grant or affecting a grant already made.

17 (2) [Any] A person who violates any provision of this subsection is guilty
18 of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 2
19 YEARS OR a fine not exceeding \$5,000 [or imprisonment not exceeding 2 years] or
20 both.

21 Subtitle 6. Rehabilitation Tax Credits.

22 3-601.

23 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

24 (2) "Business entity" means a person conducting or operating a trade or
25 business in the State.

26 (3) "Certified heritage area" has the meaning stated in § 13-1101(d) of
27 the Financial Institutions Article.

28 (4) "Certified heritage structure" means a structure that is:

29 (i) Listed in the National Register of Historic Places;

30 (ii) Designated as a historic property under local law;

31 (iii) 1. Located in a historic district listed on the National
32 Register of Historic Places or in a local historic district; and

33 2. Certified by the Director of the Maryland Historical Trust
34 as contributing to the significance of the district; or

1 (iv) Located in a certified heritage area and which has been
2 certified by the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority as contributing to the
3 significance of the certified heritage area.

4 (5) "Certified rehabilitation" means rehabilitation of a certified heritage
5 structure which the Director certifies is substantial rehabilitation in conformance
6 with the rehabilitation standards of the United States Secretary of the Interior.

7 (6) "Director" means the Director of the Maryland Historical Trust.

8 (7) "Local historic district" means a district that the governing body of a
9 county or municipal corporation, or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, has
10 designated under local law as historic.

11 (8) "Qualified rehabilitation expenditure" means [any] AN amount that
12 is properly chargeable to capital account and is expended in the rehabilitation of a
13 structure that by the end of the taxable year in which the certified rehabilitation is
14 completed is a certified heritage structure.

15 (9) "Substantial rehabilitation" means rehabilitation of a structure for
16 which the qualified rehabilitation expenditures, during the 24-month period selected
17 by the taxpayer ending with or within the taxable year, exceed:

18 (i) For owner-occupied residential property, \$5,000; or

19 (ii) For all other property, the greater of:

20 1. The adjusted basis of the structure; or

21 2. \$5,000.

22 (b) (1) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, for the taxable year in which
23 a certified rehabilitation is completed, a business entity or an individual may claim a
24 tax credit in an amount equal to 25% of the taxpayer's qualified rehabilitation
25 expenditures for the rehabilitation.

26 (2) The same tax credit may not be applied more than once against
27 different taxes.

28 (c) If the credit allowed under this section in any taxable year exceeds the
29 total tax otherwise payable by the business entity or the individual for that taxable
30 year, the business entity or individual may apply the excess as a credit for succeeding
31 years until the earlier of:

32 (1) The full amount of the excess is used; or

33 (2) The expiration of the tenth taxable year after the taxable year in
34 which the certified rehabilitation is completed.

35 (d) (1) If a certified heritage structure for which a certified rehabilitation
36 has been completed is sold or transferred, the amount of any credit unused at the time

1 of sale or transfer may be transferred to the individual or business entity to which the
2 building is sold or transferred.

3 (2) If a certified heritage structure for which a certified rehabilitation
4 has been completed by a nonprofit corporation exempt from taxation is sold or
5 transferred, the full amount of the credit to which the nonprofit corporation would be
6 entitled if taxable may be transferred to the purchaser or transferee at the time of the
7 sale or transfer.

8 (e) A business entity or individual that incurs qualified rehabilitation
9 expenditures in the rehabilitation of a certified historic structure in a state other than
10 Maryland may claim a tax credit to the same extent as provided under subsection (b)
11 of this section if the other state has in effect a reciprocal historic rehabilitation tax
12 credit program and agreement for taxpayers of that state who rehabilitate historic
13 structures in Maryland.

14 (f) (1) (i) In this subsection the following words have the meanings
15 indicated.

16 (ii) "Historic rehabilitation mortgage credit certificate" means a
17 certificate issued under this subsection by the Director to a business entity or
18 individual that elects to receive the certificate in lieu of the credit allowed under this
19 section.

20 (iii) "Qualified purchased heritage structure" means a certified
21 heritage structure:

22 1. For which a certified rehabilitation has been completed
23 and as to which the full amount of the credit is unused and could be transferred to the
24 purchaser under subsection (d) of this section;

25 2. As to which the purchaser is the first purchaser of the
26 certified heritage structure after the completion of the certified rehabilitation;

27 3. That was purchased within 10 years after the completion
28 of the certified rehabilitation; and

29 4. All or a part of which within a reasonable period will be
30 the principal residence of the purchaser.

31 (2) (i) A business entity or an individual may elect to receive a historic
32 rehabilitation mortgage credit certificate in lieu of the credit otherwise allowable
33 under this section.

34 (ii) An election under this subsection shall be made:

35 1. For a qualified purchased heritage structure, on or before
36 the date of the purchase; and

1 2. For any other certified rehabilitation, on or before the date
2 the certified rehabilitation is completed.

3 (iii) An election may not be made under this subsection for a
4 certified rehabilitation of a certified heritage structure that has been sold or
5 transferred if the seller or transferor of the structure has claimed any portion of the
6 credit allowed under this section for the certified rehabilitation.

7 (3) If a business entity or individual makes an election under this
8 subsection, the Director shall issue a historic rehabilitation mortgage credit
9 certificate to the business entity or individual in a face amount equal to the total
10 amount of the credit that, but for the election under this subsection, would be
11 allowable to the business entity or individual with respect to the certified
12 rehabilitation.

13 (4) A business entity or individual may transfer a historic rehabilitation
14 mortgage credit certificate to a lending institution subject to Maryland tax, including
15 a nondepository institution, in connection with a loan:

16 (i) That is secured by a certified heritage structure; and

17 (ii) The proceeds of which may not be used for any purpose other
18 than the acquisition or rehabilitation of the certified heritage structure.

19 (5) A lending institution that accepts a historic rehabilitation mortgage
20 credit certificate from a business entity or individual shall in exchange provide the
21 business entity or individual an amount equal to the face amount of the historic
22 rehabilitation mortgage credit certificate, discounted by the amount by which the
23 lending institution's federal income tax liability is increased as a result of its use of
24 the historic rehabilitation mortgage credit certificate to offset State taxes under this
25 subsection, to be allocated, at the borrower's election:

26 (i) To reduce the principal amount or to reduce the interest rate on
27 the loan to result in interest payment reductions substantially equal on a present
28 value basis to the face amount of the historic rehabilitation mortgage credit
29 certificate, as discounted; or

30 (ii) To reduce the business entity's or individual's cost of purchasing
31 the certified heritage structure by an amount equal to the face amount of the
32 certificate, as discounted.

33 (6) (i) A lending institution may claim a tax credit under this section
34 in an amount equal to the face amount specified in a historic rehabilitation mortgage
35 credit certificate.

36 (ii) If the credit allowed under this subsection in any taxable year
37 exceeds the total tax otherwise payable by the lending institution for that taxable
38 year, the lending institution may apply the excess as a credit for succeeding years
39 until the earlier of:

- 1 1. The full amount of the excess is used; or
- 2 2. The expiration of the 10th taxable year after the taxable
- 3 year in which the historic rehabilitation mortgage credit certificate is issued.

4 (7) If the amount of the discount retained by a lending institution
5 exceeds the amount by which the lending institution's federal income tax is increased
6 as a result of its use of the historic rehabilitation mortgage credit certificate to offset
7 State taxes under this subsection, the lending institution shall refund the excess to
8 the business entity or individual and any interest earned by the institution on the
9 excess.

10 (8) A lending institution that accepts a historic rehabilitation mortgage
11 credit certificate from a business entity or individual under this subsection shall be
12 entitled to rely in good faith on the information contained in and used in connection
13 with obtaining the certificate by the business entity or individual including, without
14 limitation, the amount of the qualified rehabilitation expenditures.

15 (9) Notwithstanding any provision in this subsection, a lending
16 institution is not required to accept a historic rehabilitation mortgage credit
17 certificate from any business entity or individual.

18 (g) The Director and the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority may adopt
19 regulations to establish procedures and standards for certifying heritage structures
20 and rehabilitations under this section and for issuance and use of historic
21 rehabilitation mortgage credit certificates under subsection (f) of this section.

22 (h) (1) In this subsection, "Authority affiliate" has the meaning stated in §
23 13-701(t) of the Financial Institutions Article.

24 (2) As authorized under § 13-708 of the Financial Institutions Article,
25 the Maryland Stadium Authority or an Authority affiliate may transfer to any
26 business entity or individual any credit under this section for qualified rehabilitation
27 expenditures of the Maryland Stadium Authority or an Authority affiliate.

28 (3) A business entity or individual to whom any credit is transferred by
29 the Maryland Stadium Authority or an Authority affiliate under this subsection may
30 claim a tax credit under this section in the full amount of the credit transferred.

31 **Article 20A - Tri-County Council for Western Maryland**

32 4-103.

33 (a) The purpose of the Western Maryland Regional Tourism Bureau is to:

34 (1) Develop regional advertising and marketing programs to disseminate
35 information about Western Maryland;

36 (2) Stimulate the development of the tourist business in Western
37 Maryland;

- 1 (3) Encourage the development of Western Maryland's recreational areas
2 and facilities;
- 3 (4) Promote Western Maryland's business and job opportunities through
4 tourism;
- 5 (5) Develop public awareness of Western Maryland's heritage and
6 history;
- 7 (6) Coordinate and facilitate special events programming for Western
8 Maryland;
- 9 (7) Serve as a liaison between the Western Maryland tourism industry,
10 the Governor, the Department of [Business and Economic Development] TOURISM,
11 other State agencies, private organizations, and the General Assembly; and
- 12 (8) Advise the Governor, the Department of [Business and Economic
13 Development] TOURISM, and the General Assembly on programs affecting the
14 tourism industry.

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Article - Education

16 24-502.

17 (b) The General Assembly further states its legislative intent in the enactment
18 of this subtitle to be as follows:

- 19 (1) To facilitate the efficient and effective operation of Historic St. Mary's
20 City and the State's historical museum and archaeological park at Maryland's first
21 capital, as well as enhance the capacity and authority of the Commission to preserve,
22 protect, and appropriately use the historic and archaeological assets of historic St.
23 Mary's City;
- 24 (2) To equip the Historic St. Mary's City Commission with the necessary
25 and vital managerial discretion to pursue its purpose effectively, with the
26 understanding that the Commission will contract, as it considers useful and
27 appropriate both fiscally and managerially, with St. Mary's College of Maryland, or
28 other entities as may be practical and appropriate, for services such as procurement,
29 personnel, and accounting, and otherwise collaborate formally and informally with St.
30 Mary's College, on the use and exchange of expertise and resources, both managerial
31 and educational, as both entities may determine is prudent and effective, in
32 advancing the basic mission of each institution;
- 33 (3) To grant the Commission authority over its plans, projects, and
34 operations, subject to any State and federal laws with respect to the protection of
35 historic and archaeological sites of significance to the State, including its status as a
36 State historic property and national historic landmark;
- 37 (4) To facilitate the support of Historic St. Mary's City by other executive
38 departments, including the Maryland Historical Trust in the Department of Housing

1 and Community Development, the Museum Services Program located at Jefferson
 2 Patterson Park Museum, the Financial Assistance Programs [and Office of Tourism]
 3 in the Department of Business and Economic Development, THE DEPARTMENT OF
 4 TOURISM, and the Department of Education;

5 (5) To provide the Historic St. Mary's City Commission with the
 6 organizational structure and funding mechanisms necessary to more effective
 7 functioning, and recognize the outdoor history museum and archaeological park
 8 located on the site of Maryland's first capital, as an educational facility for students
 9 and visitors of all ages; and

10 (6) To endorse the Commission's focus on developing the educational
 11 potential of Historic St. Mary's City, including a closer affiliation with St. Mary's
 12 College of Maryland, as the most effective way to assure that this unique site with its
 13 archaeological riches and importance to the history of Maryland and the nation is
 14 recognized and supported both privately and publicly as Maryland's most important
 15 historic site, with a view to attaining national recognition for St. Mary's City as a site
 16 of eminent national historical significance.

17 **Article - Financial Institutions**

18 13-1103.

19 (b) The Authority is an independent unit of government in the Executive
 20 Branch of government that operates in the Department of [Housing and Community
 21 Development] TOURISM.

22 13-1104.

23 (a) The Authority consists of:

24 (1) The Secretary of [Housing and Community Development] TOURISM,
 25 who shall serve as Chairman of the Authority;

26 (2) THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT;

27 [(2)] (3) The Secretary of Business and Economic Development;

28 [(3)] (4) The Secretary of Higher Education;

29 [(4)] (5) The Secretary of Transportation;

30 [(5)] (6) The Secretary of Natural Resources;

31 [(6)] (7) The Secretary of the Department of Planning;

32 [(7)] (8) The State Historic Preservation Officer; and

33 [(8)] (9) [Ten] ELEVEN members appointed by the Governor with the
 34 advice and consent of the Senate:

1 (i) Two of whom shall be elected officials or representatives of local
2 jurisdictions;

3 (ii) Two of whom shall be appointed from names recommended by
4 the President of the Maryland Senate;

5 (iii) Two of whom shall be appointed from names recommended by
6 the Speaker of the House of Delegates;

7 (iv) One of whom is a public member of the Maryland Greenways
8 Commission;

9 (v) One of whom is a public member of the Maryland Tourism
10 Development Board;

11 (vi) One of whom is a member of the public who has significant
12 education or experience in historic preservation; and

13 (vii) One of whom is a member of the public who has significant
14 education or experience in heritage tourism.

15 13-1106.

16 (a) In accordance with the State budget, the Division of Historical and
17 Cultural Programs within the Department of [Housing and Community
18 Development] TOURISM shall dedicate administrative staff for the Authority.

19 13-1110.

20 (c) The Authority may not designate a heritage area as a recognized heritage
21 area unless the Authority finds that:

22 (1) The heritage area contains resources of statewide significance that
23 have retained integrity of setting and a cohesive character;

24 (2) The heritage area contains at least one or more:

25 (i) Historic districts either listed in, or determined to be eligible for
26 listing in, the Maryland Register of Historic Properties in accordance with Article
27 [83B, § 5-615] 83D, § 5-416 of the Code; or

28 (ii) Natural or recreational resources determined by the Secretary
29 of Natural Resources to be of statewide significance; and

30 (3) Public assistance for the heritage area is reasonably expected to
31 produce additional private investments, job creation, and tourism revenues.

32 13-1112.

33 (a) (1) The State officials under items (i) through (vi) of this subsection who
34 have program responsibilities that affect aspects of the interpretation, preservation,

1 development, and use of heritage area resources shall prepare a program statement
2 detailing actions in the areas of planning, development, use, assistance, and
3 regulation that support and assist the establishment and management of certified
4 heritage areas, as follows:

5 (i) Secretary of Housing and Community Development regarding
6 housing [,] AND neighborhood revitalization [,];

7 (II) SECRETARY OF TOURISM REGARDING THE STATE TOURISM,
8 historic preservation, and museum programs;

9 [(ii)] (III) Secretary of Business and Economic Development
10 regarding the State [tourism program and] economic development and job creation
11 activities;

12 [(iii)] (IV) Secretary of Natural Resources regarding outdoor
13 recreation and the management of natural resources, including State greenways;

14 [(iv)] (V) Secretary of Higher Education regarding educational
15 resources and their interpretation;

16 [(v)] (VI) Secretary of Transportation regarding access to and
17 transportation within certified heritage areas, including the Scenic Byways Program
18 and programs for special signage; and

19 [(vi)] (VII) Secretary of General Services regarding the
20 management and disposition of State property.

21 (2) The State officials shall submit the program statements required
22 under paragraph (1) of this subsection, and any revisions of the statements, to the
23 Authority.

24 (b) Units of State government that conduct or support activities affecting a
25 certified heritage area shall:

26 (1) Consult, cooperate, and to the maximum extent feasible, coordinate
27 their activities with the unit or entity responsible for the management of each
28 certified heritage area;

29 (2) To the maximum extent practicable, carry out the activities of the
30 unit in a manner that is consistent with the approved management plan for the
31 certified heritage area; and

32 (3) When conducting a review of activities under Article [83B, §§ 5-617
33 and 5-618] 83D, §§ 5-618 AND 5-619 of the Code, assure that the activities will not
34 have an adverse effect on the historic and cultural resources of the certified heritage
35 area, unless there is no prudent and feasible alternative.

Article - State Government

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2 8-201.

3 (a) The Executive Branch of the State government shall have not more than
4 21 principal departments, each of which shall embrace a broad, functional area of that
5 Branch.

6 (b) The principal departments of the Executive Branch of the State
7 government are:

8 (1) Aging;

9 (2) Agriculture;

10 (3) Budget and Management;

11 (4) Business and Economic Development;

12 (5) the Environment;

13 (6) General Services;

14 (7) Health and Mental Hygiene;

15 (8) Housing and Community Development;

16 (9) Human Resources;

17 (10) Juvenile Justice;

18 (11) Labor, Licensing, and Regulation;

19 (12) Natural Resources;

20 (13) Planning;

21 (14) Public Safety and Correctional Services;

22 (15) State Police;

23 (16) TOURISM;

24 [(16)] (17) Transportation; [and]

25 [(17)] (18) Veterans Affairs.

26 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the publishers of the
27 Annotated Code of Maryland, subject to the approval of the Department of Legislative
28 Services, shall propose the correction of any agency names and titles throughout the
29 Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act.

1 SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2001.