

CHAPTER 124

(House Bill 71)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Legislative Services – Technical Changes

FOR the purpose of making technical changes to conform the law to current practice regarding the appointment of managers in the Office of Policy Analysis and the Office of Legislative Information Systems in the Department of Legislative Services; and generally relating to the Department of Legislative Services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–1231 and 2–1236
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – State Government

2–1231.

(a) Subject to the policies and directives of the President and the Speaker and the overall supervision and control of the Executive Director, the Director shall oversee the operation of the Office.

(B) THE DIRECTOR, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SHALL APPOINT QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS TO SERVE IN MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS IN THE OFFICE.

[(b)] (C) The Director shall serve in a nonpartisan capacity and conduct the affairs of the Office in a nonpartisan manner.

2–1236.

(a) The head of the Office is the Director, who shall be appointed by the Executive Director, subject to the approval of the President and the Speaker.

(b) The Director serves without a fixed term and may be removed by the Executive Director, subject to the approval of the President and the Speaker.

(c) The Director is entitled to the salary provided in the State budget.

(d) Subject to the policies and directives of the President and the Speaker and the overall supervision and control of the Executive Director, the Director shall oversee the operation of the Office.

(e) The Director shall serve in a nonpartisan capacity and conduct the affairs of the Office in a nonpartisan manner.

(f) [In consultation with the Director, the Executive Director] **THE DIRECTOR, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,** shall appoint an appropriate number of qualified individuals to serve in management functions in the Office.

(g) The Director shall facilitate the creation and oversee the operation of functional, subject matter, special project, and any other workgroups to achieve maximum cooperation and the greatest efficiency in the use of staff and resources in the Office.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2009.