

The Governor appointed this special study commission in 1971 to evaluate the position of Maryland agriculture with regard to the recent reorganization of the State government. The Task Force, created at the request of the Commission to Study the State Board of Agriculture, will examine the structure of the State's agricultural programs and the alignment of those programs within the State government to determine in what ways the voice of agriculture in Maryland can be strengthened. The Task Force will report to the Commission to Study the State Board of Agriculture, which, in turn, will make recommendations for appropriate action to the Governor and the General Assembly.

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

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The Governor originally appointed this Commission in 1967 at the request of the General Assembly to study the organization of the State Board of Agriculture and to decide whether this Board should be separated from the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland. The Commission made its report on October 10, 1969, but the Governor extended the life of the Study Commission for an additional two years. The Commission will now report in 1971.

The Commission includes representation from the poultry industry, the dairy industry, the livestock industry, the tobacco industry, the nursery industry, horticulture, field crops, vegetables, the business fields of agriculture, the Farm Bureau, the Grange, and the State Board of Agriculture. The Commission also includes six members who are actively engaged in agriculture (Res. No. 29, Acts of 1967).

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The Governor appointed this Committee in 1971 at the request of the General Assembly. The Committee consists of the Secretary of Transportation or his designee, the Secretary of General Services or his designee, and the Secretary of State Planning, or his designee.

The Department of Transportation, with the assistance of the State Planning Department and the State Aviation Commission, is to develop a Master Plan for an air transport system in Maryland, including the appropriate development of airports. The Committee is to make its report and recommendations to the Board of Public Works (H. J. R. No. 2, 1970).