

ation of Soil Conservation Districts; and four soil conservation district supervisors representing the four geographic areas of the State who are appointed for four-year terms by the Secretary of Agriculture from recommendations made by the districts to be represented.

The State Soil Conservation Committee has organized Soil Conservation Districts in all counties of the State. The Committee coordinates the work of the twenty-four Soil Conservation Districts in Maryland to further the application of scientifically sound and practical conservation measures to the lands in Maryland, which will result in a retardation of erosion and the advancement of soil and water conservation. The Committee distributes to the districts such funds as are available for use in implementing the soil conservation district program.

The State Committee also assists Districts in securing the advice and help of State and federal agencies that have resources that can be brought to bear on soil and water problems and on certain phases of related land use programs and problems, including watershed protection and flood prevention, siltation of streams and reservoirs, shore erosion control, highway erosion control, forest and woodland conservation and development, the protection and development of wildlife, and the development of public land areas (Code Agriculture Article, secs. 8-101 through 8-501).

INSPECTOR OF TOBACCO

STATE TOBACCO WAREHOUSE

Vacancy, State Inspector of Tobacco

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The Inspector of Tobacco, an office established by Chapter 314, Acts of 1898, is appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture with the approval of the Governor. He must be a resident of one of the tobacco-growing counties and a tobacco grower or a duly qualified tobacco dealer. The Inspector of Tobacco inspects and grades tobacco grown, sold, or stored within the State of Maryland. He also supervises the State Tobacco Warehouse and all property connected therewith in Cheltenham (Code Agriculture Article, secs. 7-301 through 7-326).

TOBACCO AUTHORITY

Chairperson: Alfred H. Tolzman, 1983

Dr. John H. Hoyert, 1981; Joseph S. Perrie, Sr., 1981; John A. Prouty, 1981; Howard R. Cooksey, 1982; John E. Hall, 1982; James P. Bowling, Sr., 1983; Earl Griffith, 1983.

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The Maryland Tobacco Authority, created by Chapter 61, Acts of the Special Session of 1947, is composed of eight members appointed by the Governor for three-year terms. The Authority elects its own chairperson.

The Authority may investigate and study any phase of tobacco marketing or production in the State, provide information about the tobacco price structure, and make recommendations for legislation to provide more effective handling of tobacco. Along with the buyers and commission agencies, it has a voice in fixing marketing periods, and it assures the accuracy of weights and measures used by tobacco commission selling agencies. The Authority also licenses commission agencies and purchasers, and collects a fee from the owners of tobacco sold at a commission agency.

From time to time a representative of the Tobacco Authority visits manufacturers in foreign countries, as well as in the United States, to develop markets for Maryland tobacco (Code Agriculture Article, secs. 7-201 through 7-209).

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