

~~of youth and adults of this state as it deems necessary. It shall plan for and put into effect such projects as may be necessary and desirable to improve and strengthen the physique and the health of the residents of this state. The Commission shall maintain liaison with the State Department of Education, County and City Boards of Education, private and parochial schools, Physical Fitness Commissions of the several political subdivisions of this state and comparable agencies in other states or under the federal government, and it shall consult with and advise these local Commissions on their programs of physical fitness.~~

(b) ~~The Commission shall disseminate information in the interest of physical fitness programs in this state by publication, advertisement, conferences, work shops, programs, lectures, and other means.~~

(c) ~~It shall collect and assemble~~ ASSEMBLE pertinent information and data available from other departments and agencies of the state government.

(d) ~~The Commission may employ professional, technical, clerical, stenographic, and other personnel to carry out its duties and functions within the limits of budgetary appropriations from time to time. All employees of the Commission are subject to the rights and duties~~ NONE OF THE EMPLOYEES OR OFFICERS OF THE COMMISSION ARE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS contained in Article 64A of this Code, title "Merit System."

(E) THE FUNDS FOR THE COMMISSION WHICH ARE INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET FROM TIME TO TIME SHALL NOT EXCEED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000) ANNUALLY.

323.

(a) ~~The Commission shall meet regularly at the call of the Governor, the Executive Director, or the Chairman. Twelve members are a quorum. The Commission shall adopt such rules and regulations as are necessary and proper to govern its procedure and business.~~

(b) ~~The Commission shall make an annual report to the Governor and the members of the General Assembly, including therein suggestions and recommendations for protecting and improving the physical fitness of the residents of this State.~~

324.

(a) ~~The Governor shall appoint in each county and the City of Baltimore a local Physical Fitness Commission, each to be composed of from fifteen to twenty-five residents of the particular political subdivision. Such appointments shall be made from persons who have shown an interest in physical fitness. All members of these Commissions shall serve without pay. From time to time the Governor shall name one member of each Commission as its Chairman.~~

(b) ~~If the federal government or any agency or officer thereof offers to the state or to any such political subdivision services, equipment, supplies, materials, or funds by way of gift, OR grant, or loan for purposes of physical fitness, the State of Maryland, acting through~~