authorized by law to be assigned to the various Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions, Councils, or Units which are herein, or may hereafter by law be deemed to be part of the Department of Licensing and Regulation; and he shall also assign to the Department such additional number of Assistant Attorneys General as may hereafter be authorized by law for such Department. One of the said Assistant Attorneys General shall be designated by the Attorney General as Counsel to the Department of Licensing and Regulation. The Counsel to the Department shall have no duty other than to render, subject to the discretion and control of the Attorney General, such legal aid, advice and counsel as the Secretary and the other officials of said Department may require, and the supervision of the other Assistant Attorneys General assigned to the Department. After the Attorney General has designated an Assistant Attorney General to serve as Counsel to the Department he shall not reassign said Counsel without consultation with the Secretary. The Counsel to the Department of Licensing and Regulation and the other Assistant Attorneys General so employed, shall each perform such legal duties for the Department as the Attorney General may from time to time assign to them; and the Attorney General is hereby authorized to assign to them, and each of them, the performance subject to his discretion and control of any of the duties with respect to said Department required of him by law. All such Assistant Attorneys General shall be practicing lawyers of the State of Maryland, in good standing, and they shall receive such compensation as shall be provided in the State Budget. This subsection shall not apply with respect to any agencies or units of Government within the Department of Licensing and Regulation to the extent that such agencies or units are authorized by law to employ their own legal advisors or counsel.

(e) Wherever it is provided by law that an appointment to a particular office within the Department of Licensing and Regulation is to be made by the Secretary with the approval of the Governor, and the appointee is to serve at the pleasure of the Secretary, the Secretary shall not remove the appointee without first obtaining approval of the Governor.

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- (a) The Secretary of Licensing and Regulation shall be responsible for the budget of his office and for the budgets of the other divisions, boards, commissions, offices and agencies within the jurisdiction of the Department of Licensing and Regulation.
- (b) The Secretary of Licensing and Regulation shall be responsible for promulgating rules and regulations for his office. He shall review and shall have the power to approve, disapprove or revise the rules and regulations of all of the divisions, boards, commissions, offices, and other agencies within the jurisdiction of the Department of Licensing and Regulation. NO SUCH RULE OR REGULATION SHALL BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY. except for any rules and regulations issued pursuant to the provisions of Article 78 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.
- **[**(B) THE SECRETARY OF LICENSING AND REGULATION SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROMULGATING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR HIS OFFICE. HE SHALL REVIEW AND SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO APPROVE, DISAPPROVE OR