

## (B) STAFF SERVICES.

THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE SHALL PROVIDE STAFF ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 40, § 40A(e)(1) and (g)(6).

In subsection (a) of this section, the former provision calling for a quorum of "[n]ine members of the committee" is restated, without substantive change, in more general language that refers to a "majority of the full authorized membership" of the Committee. This language conforms to similar provisions elsewhere in this article and will accommodate possible future legislative changes in the number of members to be appointed to the Committee, without the necessity of enacting a conforming change here. As to the current "full authorized membership" of the Committee, see § 2-503 of this subtitle.

In subsection (b) of this section, the former reference to "procedural aid" is deleted as unnecessary.

Former Art. 40, § 40A(e)(2), which provided for reimbursement of expenses, is deleted as unnecessary in light of the general provisions for reimbursement and to avoid the implication that reimbursement of the members of this Committee differs from the general provisions.

Defined term: "Committee" § 2-501

## 2-506. GENERAL FUNCTIONS.

## (A) POWERS.

IN ADDITION TO ANY POWERS SET FORTH ELSEWHERE, THE COMMITTEE MAY:

- (1) REVIEW PROPOSED OR ADOPTED REGULATIONS OF A UNIT OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT;
- (2) CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR EMERGENCY ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS;
- (3) INQUIRE INTO AN ALLEGED FAILURE OF AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF ANY BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE; AND
- (4) REVIEW THE OPERATIONS OF ANY UNIT OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT.