

(II) PREPARE PLANS FOR THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NATIONAL PLAN FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS;

(5) MAY APPOINT, IN COOPERATION WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES, DIRECTORS OF LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, MAY DELEGATE TO THE DIRECTORS ANY ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE GOVERNOR UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, AND MAY PROVIDE FOR THE SUBDELEGATION OF THAT AUTHORITY; AND

(6) MAY DELEGATE THE GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS EMPLOYED:

(I) IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF STATE GOVERNMENT;

(II) AS A SECRETARY OF A PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT; OR

(III) AS THE HEAD OF AN INDEPENDENT STATE AGENCY.

(C) HARMFUL CONSEQUENCES OF POTENTIAL EMERGENCIES.

(1) IN ADDITION TO EMERGENCY PREVENTION MEASURES INCLUDED IN THE STATE, LOCAL, AND INTERJURISDICTIONAL EMERGENCY PLANS, THE GOVERNOR SHALL CONSIDER, ON A CONTINUING BASIS, STEPS THAT COULD BE TAKEN TO PREVENT OR REDUCE THE HARMFUL CONSEQUENCES OF POTENTIAL EMERGENCIES.

(2) (I) AT THE DIRECTION OF THE GOVERNOR, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY OTHER AUTHORITY AND COMPETENCE THEY HAVE, STATE AGENCIES SHALL STUDY MATTERS RELATED TO EMERGENCY PREVENTION.

(II) STATE AGENCIES REQUIRED TO STUDY MATTERS RELATED TO EMERGENCY PREVENTION INCLUDE THOSE CHARGED WITH RESPONSIBILITIES IN CONNECTION WITH FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT, STREAM ENCROACHMENT AND FLOW REGULATION, WEATHER MODIFICATION, FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL, AIR QUALITY, PUBLIC WORKS, LAND USE AND LAND-USE PLANNING, AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 16A, § 6.

In subsection (a)(1)(i) of this section, the reference to the Governor being "responsible for" MEMA is substituted for the former reference to the Governor having "general direction" of MEMA for clarity.

In subsection (a)(2) of this section, the reference to "this subtitle and Subtitles 2 and 4 of this title" is substituted for the former reference to "this article" for accuracy. Former Article 16A is revised in Subtitles 1, 2, and 4 of this title.

In subsection (b)(3) of this section, the former reference to a "State" emergency is deleted as unnecessary in light of the defined term "emergency".