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In subsection (b) of this section, the former references to the "Board" chair and the "Board" secretary are deleted as surplusage.

Defined term: "State Advisory Board" § 9-101

9-214. STATE ADVISORY BOARD — MEETINGS; COMPENSATION; CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.

(A) MEETINGS.

THE STATE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL MEET REGULARLY AT LEAST SIX TIMES A YEAR ON THE CALL OF ITS CHAIR.

(B) COMPENSATION.

A MEMBER OF THE STATE ADVISORY BOARD:

(1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS A MEMBER OF THE STATE ADVISORY BOARD; BUT

(2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

(C) CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.

A MEMBER OF THE STATE ADVISORY BOARD MAY NOT HAVE A DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST IN ANY CONTRACT FOR BUILDING, REPAIRING, EQUIPPING, OR PROVIDING MATERIALS OR SUPPLIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OR HAVE ANY OTHER FINANCIAL INTEREST IN A CONTRACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 83C, § 2-109.

In subsection (a) of this section, the reference to a "chair" is substituted for the former reference to a "chairman" because SG § 12-1238 requires the use of terms that are neutral as to gender to the extent practicable.

The Human Services Article Review Committee notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that the conflict of interest provisions in subsection (c) of this section may be too narrow. The General Assembly may wish to consider clarifying that members of the State Advisory Board are subject to the Maryland Public Ethics Law.

Defined terms: "Department" § 9-101

"State Advisory Board" § 9-101

9-215. STATE ADVISORY BOARD — DUTIES.

IN ADDITION TO ITS OTHER DUTIES SPECIFIED IN THIS TITLE, THE STATE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL: