

- Personnel:** Governor may remove any member for disability, neglect of duty, malfeasance in office or misconduct after notice and hearing. Md. Code Ann., art. 41, § 109.
- Employees:** Staff and employees are under merit system. Md. Code Ann., art. 41, § 119.
- Function:** Has exclusive power to parole prisoners; may issue warrants for return to custody of alleged parole violators and may suspend or revoke a parole.

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Military Department

07.03.00.01

- Established By:** Md. Code Ann., art. 65.
- Head:** Governor is commander-in-chief; adjutant general, ranking line officer. (Senate confirmation required for adjutant general appointed by governor.)
- Term:** Serves until successor appointed or removed from office because of court-martial.
- Removal:** Court-martial. See Md. Const., art. II, § 15.
- Employees:** All officers commissioned by the governor and are exempt from the merit system under Md. Code Ann., art. 64A, § 3. All civilian employees on military reservations are exempt under Md. Code Ann., art. 64A, § 3.
At present (not counting soldiers) there are 70 merit and 60 unclassified employees.
- Function:** Maintains the State Militia and all State armories.

Maryland Civil Defense Agency

07.04.00.01

- Established By:** Md. Code Ann., art. 16A.
- Head:** Director appointed by the governor.
- Members:** Civil Defense Advisory Council—appointed by the governor and serve at his pleasure to advise him on matters of civil defense.
- Term:** As governor so desires.
- Removal:** At pleasure of the governor.
- Employees:** Except for the director, all employees are under the merit system. At present there are two merit and one unclassified employees.
- Function:** Working with the Office of Emergency Planning, the agency is responsible for coordination of all state agencies, political subdivi-