

DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE.

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The function of the Department of Legislative Reference is to collect, compile and index information on all questions of proposed legislation, to investigate and report upon the laws of Maryland and other States at the request of the Governor, any committee or member of the General Assembly, or the head of any State Department. It is also made the duty of the Department to prepare or aid in the preparation of any bill or resolution on the request of any member of the Legislature, and to maintain an office at Annapolis during the sessions of the Legislature. There is on file in the Department a complete set of all bills which have been introduced in the Legislature of Maryland from 1908 to 1931, inclusive, with a full index of same, and the Codes and Laws of the other States. (Chapter 474 of the Acts of 1916, An. Code Art. 41, Sec. 64-65.)

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