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The Department of Parole and Probation was established in 1953 to succeed the Division of Parole and Probation in the administration of the parole and probation laws of the State. The Department is headed by the Board of Parole and Probation, which consists of a chairman and two associate members appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, for six-year terms, one term expiring every two years. The chairman of the Board serves as director of the Department. He may assign members of the Board to administrative and other duties as required.

The Board of Parole and Probation may upon the vote of two of its members parole any person confined in the correctional institutions of the State except those serving life sentences. It may recommend to the Governor the paroling of individuals serving life sentences, but the Governor has sole jurisdiction over the parole of such persons. The Board also controls the releases of prisoners serving indeterminate sentences at the State Reformatory for Women and at the State Reformatory for Males. The Department administers the Inter-State Compact for the reciprocal supervision of parolees and probationers. It makes available the services of its investigating officers to the Circuit Courts and the Criminal Court and Magistrates courts of Baltimore City. It has offices in Baltimore, Bel Air, Chestertown, Ellicott City, Hagerstown, and Upper Marlboro (Code 1951, 1957 supp., Art. 41, secs. 91-103).

The Inter-State Compact places under the jurisdiction of the administrator, during the parole or probationary period, any person convicted of an offense within the State of Maryland who may thereafter be placed on probation or released on parole to reside in another state. Similarly, the administrator decides whether parolees and probationers from another state may reside in Maryland. (Code 1951, Art. 41, sec. 106).

Appropriations	1957	1958
General Funds	\$350,611	\$369,719
Staff: 68		

Protection of Persons and Property

MILITARY DEPARTMENT

Major General Milton A. Reckord, The Adjutant General and Ranking Line Officer

Brigadier General Harry C. Ruhl, Executive Officer and State Quartermaster

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The Charter of Maryland empowered Lord Baltimore to raise troops to put down insurrection or rebellion and to subdue the enemies of the province. Since that time the organization, maintenance, and administration of the State militia has been an integral part of the State's functions. The present military establishment of Maryland conforms to the National Defense Act of 1922 and its subsequent amendments and to the Militia Law of Maryland.