

created by Chapter 406, Acts of 1939, to administer 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 penal and/or correctional institutions of the State except those serving life sentences. Parole of prisoners sentenced to life terms is the joint responsibility of the Governor and the Board. In cases of prisoners sentenced as second or third offenders for violations of the narcotics laws, the Board of Parole and Probation may not give favorable consideration to such prisoners until they have served a minimum of five years if convicted as a second offender or ten years if convicted as a third offender.

The Board also controls the release of prisoners serving indeterminate sentences at the Maryland Correctional Institution for Women and the Maryland Correctional Institution. The Department administers the Interstate Compact for the reciprocal supervision of parolees and probationers. It makes available the services of its parole and probation officers to the Circuit Courts for the respective Counties, the Criminal and the Municipal Courts of Baltimore City, and People's and Magistrates Courts (Code 1957, Art. 41, secs. 107-131). It has field offices in Baltimore City, Bel Air, Easton, Ellicott City, Hagerstown, Rockville and Upper Marlboro; and branch offices in Cambridge, Centerville, Chestertown, Denton, Salisbury, Elkton, La Plata, Leonardtown, Prince Frederick, Cumberland, and Hyattsville.

The Interstate 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 1957, Art. 41, sec. 129).

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Protection of Persons and Property

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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