

The County Commissioners appoint the local assessors for an indefinite period from a list of applicants examined and graded by the Director. The assessors' salaries are fixed and paid in a manner similar to those of the Supervisors. They review for reassessment the property in each county of Maryland each year (Code 1957, Art. 81, secs. 234-37).

The Director has charge of the qualifications and registration of foreign corporations doing business in Maryland. In addition to collecting an annual filing fee and accounting monthly for all such collections to the Treasurer, the Director assesses the tangible personal property of foreign corporations and distributes the proceeds to the localities in which the property is located. He also approves and records charters and amendments to charters of domestic corporations.

Appropriations	1965	1966
General Funds .....	\$1,156,341	\$1,211,577
Staff, 1965: 66; Staff, 1966: 71.		

**DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND PROCUREMENT**

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The Department of Budget and Procurement, established by Chapter 64, Acts of 1939, combines the budgeting and purchasing functions of the State into a single agency. The Director of the Department, who is appointed by the Governor, has executive jurisdiction over the Department, and in addition reviews all leases for rental of office space before their submission to the Board of Public Works for approval (Code 1957, Art. 15A, sec. 16).

**Budget Bureau**

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The Director appoints the Chief of the Budget Bureau. This Bureau carries out the budget functions of the agency. It aids the Director in preparing a tentative budget for the Governor's consideration and reviews all budget amendments presented by the various State agencies.

The Bureau is also responsible for the enforcement of rules and regulations concerning all phases of the purchase, maintenance and use of motor vehicles by the various State agencies (Code 1957, Art. 15A, secs. 17-27).

In the 1966 fiscal year, this Bureau will assume the responsibility for coordinating the data processing activities of all State agencies.

**Purchasing Bureau**

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The Director also appoints the head of the Purchasing Bureau. This bureau purchases supplies, material and equipment for the use of State agencies. It maintains a warehouse for the storage of supplies and pays for them out of a revolving fund of \$300,000. These supplies are