

public places, to maintain the safe and orderly flow of traffic on public streets and highways; to cooperate with and assist law enforcement agencies in carrying out their duties, and to discharge its duties and responsibilities with the dignity and manner which will inspire public confidence and respect.

The Department has State-wide jurisdiction except in incorporated municipalities. Within such municipalities its jurisdiction is limited to (1) when in pursuit of an offender or suspected offender; or (2) when in search of an offender or suspected offender wanted for a crime committed outside of the limits of the municipality, or when interviewing or seeking to interview a witness or supposed witness to such a crime; or (3) when requested to act by the chief executive officer of the municipality in question or its chief police officer; or (4) when ordered by the Governor, to act within the municipality in question; or (5) when enforcing the motor vehicle laws of this State (Code 1957, 1964 Repl. Vol., 1968 Supp., Art. 88B, secs. 3, 4, 20, 23).

The Department is directed by the Superintendent, who is appointed by the Governor for a four-year term, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Chapter 547, Acts of 1968 also provided for the appointment of a Deputy Superintendent, who is designated by the Superintendent, with the approval of the Governor, to serve in this capacity (Code 1957, 1964 Repl. Vol., 1968 Supp., Art. 88B, secs. 14 and 16).

The Investigation and Identification Services Division of the State Police maintains detailed files and records and cooperates with other law enforcement agencies in the exchange of information relating to crime and criminals. In 1966, a State Central Crime Records Bureau was established in the State Police, and this Bureau is the repository for criminal data resulting from the submission of fingerprints and related information by law enforcement agencies and penal institutions throughout the State. For the purpose of uniform crime reporting, the Bureau also maintains statistical data on crime within the State.

In cooperation with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Crime Information Center, the Investigation and Identification Services Division maintains a section in which records on stolen and recovered cars, wanted and missing persons, identifiable stolen property, and stolen guns are kept on a current basis. This section also completes formats on such property for "loading" through terminals into the NCIC Computer in Washington.

The Department is also charged with the licensing of private detectives (Code 1957, 1968 Repl. Vol., and 1968 Supp., Art. 56, secs. 75-91), as well as with the registration of firearms (Code 1957, 1967 Repl. Vol., 1968 Supp., Art. 27, secs. 442-443).

In 1963, the Maryland State Police took over the police functions in connection with the operation of the John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway, the first toll road in Maryland.

Legislation in 1965 gave the State Police responsibility for licensing qualified garages and other facilities to make inspections and corrections of equipment and mechanisms and to certify that used motor vehicles, for which titles are sought, meet the equipment standards promulgated by the Department of Motor Vehicles (Code 1957, 1967 Repl. Vol., Art. 66½, secs. 429-36).

On January 1, 1967, the State Police assumed responsibility for the enforcement of the truck weight laws of the State.

Reports of motor vehicle accidents investigated by any law enforcement officer in the State must be forwarded to the State Police. The Department is charged with the responsibility of analyzing and pre-