

stations; and through the publication of numerous documents, including its *Annual Report and Recommendations* to the Governor and the General Assembly. The Board also proposes a legislative program addressing the concerns of the postsecondary education community. In order to benefit from the advice of students, faculty and other groups in the State's postsecondary education community, the Board may appoint advisory committees to develop recommendations on specific areas of concern.

Three members of the State Board for Higher Education and the Commissioner for Higher Education serve on an Education Coordinating Committee which is charged with responsibility for studying and making recommendations about matters of educational policy and administration which concern both higher education and elementary and secondary education. Through this mechanism, policies and activities at all levels of education are coordinated. The State Board for Higher Education and the State Department of Education furnish staff assistance to the Education Coordinating Committee.

MARYLAND FIRE-RESCUE EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

Chairman: Arthur R. Blom, 1980

Thomas J. Baginski, 1977; Clair Loughmiller, 1977; Oscar Baker, 1978; W. Newton Carey, 1978; Frederick R. Seibel III, 1978; Warren E. Isman, 1979; Peter J. O'Connor, Jr., 1979; Charles W. Riley, 1979; Harry Devlin, 1980; Raymond A. Simpson, Jr., 1980.

Chapter 682, Acts of 1976 established within the State Board for Higher Education the Maryland Fire-Rescue Education and Training Commission. The Commission reports to and is subject to the authority of the Commissioner of Higher Education. The Commission consists of eleven members, appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Staff service to the Commission is provided by the State Board for Higher Education.

The Fire-Rescue Education and Training Commission is responsible for developing standards for fire-rescue education programs and procedures for the accreditation of instructors and schools involved in these programs. The Commission works with schools toward the standardization of course content and the reciprocal acceptance of course credits. The Commission develops and maintains a statewide master plan for the purpose of coordinating all emergency services training courses and activities in Maryland. In support of its other activities, the Commission collects and disseminates data and reviews research relevant to fire-rescue education. The Commission prepares an annual report which describes its activities and sets forth its recommendations for improvements in emergency services education. The Commission's activities are carried out in cooperation with the University of Maryland and other schools engaged in training fire-rescue personnel in the State (Code 1957, 1975 Repl. Vol., 1976 Supp., Art. 77A, secs. 83-86).

Staff: 1975, 23; 1976, 25; 1977, 34.

MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION LOAN CORPORATION

Chairman: Fred I. Archibald, 1982

Vice Chairman: J. Joseph Curran, Jr., 1980

Ex officio members: Wilson H. Elkins,
Robert M. Taubman.

Appointed members: David N. Bates, 1978; N. Page Worthington, 1978; David W. Zimmerman, 1978; H. Grant Hathaway, 1980; Frederic A. Jackson, 1980; Gordon Burns, 1982; Mrs. W. Kenneth Root, 1982.

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The Maryland Higher Education Loan Corporation, created by Chapter 589, Acts of 1963, consists of eleven members. The Chairman of the State Scholarship Board and the President of the University of Maryland, or his designated representative, serve as *ex officio* members. The remaining members are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate