

these problems, and defines problem areas for which committees could find solutions or recommendations for action. The Council also defines scientific areas where additional research or the analysis of data is badly needed, reviews available resources to perform such analysis, and recommends the approach to be used. The Council further works to improve scientific education, including identification of well-defined problem areas for studies to be performed by graduate students, particularly those studies that will be of value to the State. It acts as a liaison with scientists of other states or agencies in coordinating approaches to common scientific problems and provides scientific and technological advice to the principal Executive Departments at the Governor's request or with his approval.

SEWAGE SLUDGE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

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The Sewage Sludge Management Commission was established by the Governor in 1982 in response to Joint Resolution no. 25, Acts of 1982. The Commission is to study the use and disposal of sewage sludges and recommend a public policy for short- and long-term use of sewage sludge.

The twenty-five members of the Commission represent State departments, educational institutions, local government, the farming community, private industry, and the general public. The Governor designates the chairperson. The Commission is to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by January 1, 1983.

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION TO STUDY SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

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The Governor reorganized the Commission to Study Sovereign Immunity in July of 1975 in response to legislative initiatives seeking revisions in the common law doctrine of sovereign immunity. In an effort to provide the General Assembly with useful reference material, the Governor directed the Commission to explore the concept of sovereign immunity with emphasis on the practical and fiscal implications of a sovereign immunity abrogation in contract and tort. Pursuant to the Governor's charge, the Commission undertook an extensive survey to review the experience of other states that had modified the doctrine of sovereign immunity and to evaluate the impact anticipated by various sectors of the Maryland governmental communities in the event the doctrine was abrogated. A report was submitted to the Governor and General Assembly in November 1976.

GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE TO STREAMLINE STATE GOVERNMENT

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The Governor created the Governor's Task Force to Streamline State Government in May 1981. The Task Force is to review the approval processes of budget and personnel control agencies as well as their procedures for interpretation and administration of executive policy. Its purpose is to recommend ways to streamline required internal and interdepartmental processes by reducing the paperwork and approval points.