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The Governor created this task force in June 1983 to evaluate existing programs that provide financial assistance, equipment, and facility financing to volunteer fire, rescue, and ambulance companies. The Task Force evaluated the administration and effectiveness of the Emergency Assistance Trust Fund, established by Chapter 239, Acts of 1982, and reviewed the effectiveness of local financial assistance programs.

The Task Force reported to the Governor in December 1983, and will submit its final report at a later date.

TASK FORCE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION

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At the request of the General Assembly, the Governor formed this task force in November 1984 (Joint Resolution no. 26, Acts of 1984). The Task Force will study ways to increase voter registration and participation. It will examine what opportunities for registration exist at schools, post offices, State government offices, universities and colleges, community centers, and workplaces.

By July 1985, the Task Force is to report to the Governor and General Assembly.

WESTERN MARYLAND ENTERPRISE STUDY COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Douglas A. McGregor

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In December 1983, the Governor created the Western Maryland Enterprise Study Committee. The Committee is to evaluate the feasibility of developing a resort conference center on State-owned land in Western Maryland. In March 1984, the Committee submitted an interim report to the Governor and the Secretary of Natural Resources. The Committee found that by a joint State government and private sector effort, a conference center might be feasible at either Deep Creek Lake State Park or at Rocky Gap State Park.

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION LAWS

Chairperson: Dr. Rudolph P. Lamone

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The Governor created this commission in 1981 (Executive Orders 01.01.1981.02, and 01.01.1981.08). The Commission is to conduct a thorough study of laws governing or related to workmen's compensation. It shall recommend changes in State law as appear to be in the public interest. The Commission reports annually to the Governor by October 15.