

protection of law. The agency also preserves the public peace; detects and prevents crime; and enforces the laws and ordinances of the State and its local subdivisions. It apprehends and arrests criminals and those who violate or are lawfully accused of violating such laws and ordinances; and preserves order in public places. In addition, the agency maintains the safe, orderly flow of traffic on public streets and highways and cooperates with and assists law enforcement agencies in carrying out their duties.

The agency has statewide jurisdiction except in incorporated municipalities. Within municipalities the agency may exercise jurisdiction under certain conditions, as regulated by statute (Code 1957, Art. 88B, secs. 3, 4, 20, and 23). The State Police also enforces the laws relating to controlled dangerous substances (narcotics) throughout the State with no jurisdictional limitations (Code 1957, Art. 27, sec. 298(g)).

Appointed by the Governor with Senate advice and consent, the Superintendent serves at the pleasure of the Governor. The Superintendent may designate two deputy superintendents with the approval of the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Code 1957, Art. 88B, secs. 14, 16).

SERVICES BUREAU

James A. Jones, *Chief* 653-4212

Formerly known as the Logistical Services Bureau, the Services Bureau is responsible for Finance, Personnel Management, Capital Improvements, Training, Supply, and Motor Vehicles, as well as the Criminal Records Central Repository, Central Accident Records Division, Electronic Services Division, and Telecommunications Division. The State Police, through its Services Bureau, operates a Police Academy for the training of its personnel. These facilities are available to all other law enforcement agencies throughout the State.

CRIMINAL RECORDS CENTRAL REPOSITORY

The Criminal Records Central Repository compiles and analyzes statistics on criminal activity received from all law enforcement jurisdictions in the State. Analyses of figures indicating trends and other pertinent statistical data appear in quarterly reports and an annual report entitled *Crime in Maryland* (Code 1957, Art. 27, secs. 742-755). The Criminal Records Central Repository collects, stores, and disseminates criminal history record information.

CENTRAL ACCIDENT RECORDS DIVISION

The Central Accident Records Division receives, compiles, analyzes, and distributes motor vehicle accident reports from all Maryland law enforcement agencies. Aggregate accident data is provided to the State Highway Administration and police agencies;

individual records are provided as requested to individuals.

ELECTRONIC SERVICES DIVISION

The Electronic Services Division maintains communication equipment for State Police and allied local, State and federal agencies. The Division maintains electronic devices, including VASCAR and RADAR for the State Police, and assists other agencies when equipment is of similar design.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUREAU

James E. Harvey, *Chief* 653-4214

The Special Operations Bureau performs specialized investigation functions, specific industry regulatory activities, and certain statewide law enforcement support functions. The Bureau is responsible for the Intelligence Unit and nine Divisions: Airport, Automotive Safety Enforcement, Aviation, Crime Laboratory, Executive Protection, Investigation, Licensing, Narcotics, and Truck Enforcement.

INTELLIGENCE UNIT

The Intelligence Unit gathers information pertaining to organized crime, narcotics trafficking, and other strategic data. Within the Intelligence Unit is the State Clearinghouse for Missing Children.

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE FOR MISSING CHILDREN

Advisory Council

Chairperson:

Dorothy V. Harris, *Director of Office for Children & Youth*

Mary K. Albrittain; Richard J. Ashton; Sheriff Dominic J. Mele; Linda D'Amario Rossi; Capt. William R. Turnbull; *one vacancy.*

Appointed by Governor: Helen Mennerick; *one vacancy.*

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Now within the Intelligence Unit, the State Clearinghouse for Missing Children was established in 1985 (Chapter 496, Acts of 1985). The Clearinghouse receives, collects, and distributes general information and annual statistics regarding missing children. The Clearinghouse coordinates this work with law enforcement agencies and persons or groups concerned with children who have disappeared from or are thought to be located in Maryland.