
EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, TASK FORCES, AND ADVISORY BOARDS

Executive commissions, committees, task forces, and advisory boards are created by the Governor, either on the Governor's initiative or at the request of the General Assembly. Through these units of government, the Governor draws upon the expertise of private citizens and public servants. They often are assigned a specific area of inquiry or responsibility and must complete their work by a prescribed date.

GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)

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The Governor's Advisory Council on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) was created in May 1987 by the Governor (Executive Order 01.01.1987.14). The Council is devising a state-wide strategy to stop the spread of AIDS.

Serving as the Governor's primary advisory body on prevention of the disease, the Council makes recommendations on health care and treatment. The Council investigates means by which State and local governments in partnership with the private sector may interrupt the spread of AIDS. In addition, the Council develops public awareness and promotes education to prevent the disease, advises the Governor on the role of State officials in implementing programs, and advises any organization in Maryland that seeks counsel on AIDS.

AGENT ORANGE COMMISSION

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The Governor, at the request of the General Assembly, established the Agent Orange Commission in September 1986 (Joint Resolution no. 35, Acts of 1986). The Commission compiles studies on the effects of Agent Orange and other defoliants on Vietnam veterans. The Commission serves as a central data bank for the identification of affected persons in Maryland. A plan for coordinating legal, medical and social assistance to affected persons is being developed by the Commission.

In December 1987, the Commission submitted a preliminary report to the Governor and General Assembly. The Commission has been asked to continue its work through 1989.

MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL EMERGENCY TASK FORCE

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The Maryland Agricultural Emergency Task Force is activated in times of need according to an emergency operations plan. The Department of Agriculture submitted this plan to the Governor in 1987. The plan provides for actions to be taken in