

agricultural emergencies, such as droughts or floods.

The Task Force was activated and charged with monitoring and assessing the 1988 drought; coordinating State assistance efforts which included federal, State, local and private participants; and serving as an information clearinghouse. Farmers across the State shared information weekly with the Task Force. From June through October 1988, the Task Force made weekly reports to the Governor on the status of the drought.

In 1988, Task Force members represented the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, National Agricultural Statistical Service, University of Maryland, University of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service, Maryland Farm Bureau, Maryland Grange, Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc., and the dairy industry.

COORDINATING COUNCIL ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS

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At the request of the General Assembly, the Governor established the Coordinating Council on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders in September 1986 (Joint Resolutions nos. 42 and 43, Acts of 1986). The Council advises the Interagency Committee on Aging Services about programs for the elderly, services to victims of Alzheimer's disease and their families, and coordination of State government programs and services in these areas. The Council also monitors implementation of the recommendations made by the Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders.

In December 1986, the Council submitted a preliminary report; in December 1987, an interim report; and in December 1988, an additional report. The final report will be submitted in November 1989.

TASK FORCE ON ANIMAL TESTING

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The Governor created the Task Force on Animal Testing in January 1989. The Task Force is to study and make recommendations for the humane treatment of animals used in laboratory experimentation, particularly in the testing of cosmetic and household products.

The Task Force will review methods to lessen the pain and suffering of animals used in testing and reduce the number of animals required for testing. The Task Force also will study scientifically accurate alternatives to whole animal testing, such as tissue and cell culture techniques.

By July 1, 1989, the Task Force is to submit a report to the Governor.

ASBESTOS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Chairperson:
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The Asbestos Oversight Committee was established by the Governor in November 1987 (Executive Order 01.01.1987.22). The Committee reviews and coordinates asbestos survey and abatement activities involving State employees and facilities.

The Committee develops and annually updates the Asbestos Management Plan. Asbestos policy, procedures, and practices are reviewed, evaluated, and promulgated by the Committee consistent with