

96, Acts of 1970). In 1975, it became the Department of Human Resources (Chapter 382, Acts of 1975). The Department's Employment Security Administration functioned until 1983 when the Department of Employment and Training was created as a principal executive department (Chapter 64, Acts of 1983). In 1987, the Department of Employment and Training was abolished and its functions were assigned to the Division of Employment and Training in the Department of Economic and Employment Development (Chapter 311, Acts of 1987). The Division was transferred in 1995 to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (Chapter 120, Acts of 1995).

The Division coordinates the State's public and private resources for employment and job training (Code Labor and Employment Articles, secs. 11-101 through 11-408). Within the Division are five offices: Employment Services; Employment Training; Information Technology; Labor Market Analysis and Information; and Unemployment Insurance. The Division also administers local offices of employment and training in each county and Baltimore City.

**MARYLAND OCCUPATIONAL INFORMATION  
COORDINATING COUNCIL**

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The Maryland Occupational Information Coordinating Council improves coordination and communication among developers and users of occupational information to ensure that every Maryland citizen has the necessary occupational information for making career decisions. An inter-agency committee, the Council is linked to a network of committees in other states and to the National Occupational Information Coordinating Committee established in 1976 by federal law.

The Council disseminates software that constitutes Maryland's Career Information Delivery Systems. One program is called VISIONS. Designed for middle and junior high school classrooms, it links education to the world of work. Another is VISIONS PLUS, a comprehensive career planning and information system for high school students and adults. The Council has established 352 sites for accessing these programs statewide. Federal funds for the programs are allotted under the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Act of 1990 (Title IV, part C, secs. 422(a), 451(a)).

Started in 1988, the Council operates in accordance with the federal Perkins Act and the Job Training Partnership Act of 1982 (secs. 125, 464). The Governor names Council members.

**OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

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The Office of Employment Services is also known as the Maryland Job Service. It provides a statewide public labor exchange to match employers with job seekers. The Office also carries out programs for Alien Registration, National Job Bank, Targeted Jobs Tax Credit, Statewide Vocational Counseling and Testing, Disabled Veterans Outreach, Local Veterans Employment Representative, Unemployment Insurance Work Test, and Migrant and Seasonal Farm Workers.

Functions of the Office of Employment Services date to 1902, when the Chief of the Bureau of Industrial Statistics was instructed to organize and operate a free State employment agency (Chapter 365, Acts of 1902). That responsibility in 1916 was transferred to the State Board of Labor and Statistics with the additional duty of investigating causes of unemployment and possible solutions (Chapter 406, Acts of 1916). Since 1936, the State's employment service also has administered the unemployment insurance law.

Created in 1937, the Department of Employment Security included the Employment Service Division. The Division continued to function under the Department of Employment and Social Services, created in 1970; and under the Employment Security Administration of the Department of Human Resources, formed in 1975. When the Department of Employment and Training was established in 1983, the Division became the Maryland Job Service under the Department's Job Training and Placement Division. In 1987, the Maryland Job Service became part of the Division of Employment and Training within the Department of Economic and Employment Development. In 1995, the Office of Employment Services was transferred with the Division of Employment and Training to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation.

**JOB SERVICE EMPLOYER COMMITTEES**

**STATEWIDE STEERING COMMITTEE**

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Job Service Employer Committees started in the early 1970s. They include a statewide steering committee and twenty local committees that audit and advise local Job Service offices.

**MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS  
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The Management Information Systems and Technical Support Team began as Job Bank Central in 1975. Renamed Central Processing in 1982, it was reorganized under its present name in 1987. The Team directs the statewide data bank which