

information relating to any matter which is the subject of proposed legislation by the General Assembly; to examine the acts and records of any State and report the result thereof to the Governor, any committee of the General Assembly, or the head of any State Department requesting the same; to prepare or aid in the preparation of any bill or resolution when requested so to do by any member of the General Assembly; to preserve and collate all information obtained, carefully indexed and arranged so as to be at all times easily accessible to State officials and open to the inspection of the general public; and to have an office at Annapolis during the sessions of the General Assembly, in order to facilitate the work of the Department for members of the General Assembly.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 66. 1912, art. 40, sec. 16. 1916, ch. 474, sec. 2.

102. For the services to be rendered under the provisions of the preceding section, the executive officer of the Department of Legislative Reference shall receive \$1,000 per annum; and there is hereby appropriated annually the sum of \$2,500 to provide for the payment of the services of the said executive officer and of such assistance and expenses as may be necessary in performing the duties imposed by the preceding section, the same to be payable on the order of said executive officer.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 67. 1924, ch. 377. 1935, ch. 150.

103. It shall be the duty of every officer, board, institution and commission of the State, including special or temporary officers, boards and commissions, to file with the Department of Legislative Reference two copies of every regular or special report issued by him or it, whether such report be in printed or other form. Every officer, board, institution and commission of the State is hereby directed to transmit to said Department of Legislative Reference such number of copies of all reports and publications issued by him or it as the Director of said Department shall request, but not to exceed one hundred copies. It shall be the duty of the Director of the Department of Legislative Reference to use the copies of the reports and publications above directed to be delivered to him for exchange with or distribution to other departments, libraries, historical societies or research agencies, and at least one copy of each of such reports and publications shall be sent by the said Director to the Library of Congress, the Maryland State Library, the Johns Hopkins University Library, Enoch Pratt Free Library, Peabody Institute of Baltimore, Maryland Historical Society and the University of Maryland Library.

Commissioners for Uniform State Laws.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 68. 1922, ch. 29 (p. 45).

104. The Commissioners for Uniform State Laws, appointed as at present, shall be assigned to the Executive Department. They shall have and exercise the rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions now or hereafter conferred by law; and, in addition, shall report to the Governor before each session of the General Assembly an account of their transactions, and their advice and recommendations in relation to the subjects confided to them.