

Article – State Government

9-1502.

There is a State Coordinating Council for Residential Placement of Handicapped Children within the Office for [Handicapped Individuals] CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES in the Executive Branch of the government.

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(a) The members of the Council are:

(1) the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or the Secretary's designee;

(2) the Secretary of Human Resources or the Secretary's designee;

(3) the State Superintendent of Schools or the Superintendent's designee;

(4) the Director of the Governor's Office for Handicapped Individuals, as a nonvoting, ex officio member;

(5) the [Director] SPECIAL SECRETARY of the Office for Children [and], Youth, AND FAMILIES[, as a nonvoting, ex officio member] OR THE SPECIAL SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE; and

(6) the Secretary of the Department of Juvenile Services or the Secretary's designee.

(b) (1) There is a chairman of the Council who shall serve a term of 12 months in [4-year] 5-YEAR cycles of rotation as provided in this subsection.

(2) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene is the chairman of the Council for a term of 12 consecutive months beginning on July 1, 1987. The Secretary of Human Resources shall succeed the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene as chairman for a term of 12 consecutive months, the Secretary of the Department of Juvenile Services shall succeed the Secretary of Human Resources for a term of 12 consecutive months, [and] the State Superintendent of Schools shall succeed the Secretary of the Department of Juvenile Services for a term of 12 consecutive months AND THE SPECIAL SECRETARY OF THE OFFICE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES SHALL SUCCEED THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FOR A TERM OF 12 CONSECUTIVE MONTHS.

(3) After the initial [4-year] 5-YEAR cycle of rotation of the office of chairman, each voting member shall serve as chairman for a 12-month term in the order set forth in paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(c) Staff support for the Council shall be provided by the Office for [Handicapped Individuals] CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES within the Executive Branch of the government.