event of disaster beyond local control, the Governor may assume direct operational control over all or any part of the civil defense functions within the State. The Governor is authorized to delegate such powers as he may see fit to the Director.

- (b) In performing his duties under this sub-title, the Governor is authorized to cooperate with the Federal Government, with other States, and with private agencies in all matters pertaining to the civil defense of this State and of the Nation. The Governor is authorized to make, amend and rescind the necessary orders, rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this sub-title, and to prepare a comprehensive plan and program for the civil defense of this State; to integrate such plan and program with the civil defense plans of the Federal Government and other States to the fullest possible extent, and to coordinate the preparation of plans and programs for civil defense by the political sub-divisions of this State. The Governor is authorized to procure supplies and equipment and to institute training programs and public information programs and to take all other preparatory steps in advance of actual disaster. The Governor is authorized to make such studies and surveys of the industries, resources, and facilities in this State as may be necessary to ascertain the capabilities of the State for civil defense and to plan for the most efficient emergency use thereof. The Governor is authorized to appoint, in cooperation with local authorities, Directors and Alternate Directors for the political sub-divisions of the State and may delegate to them any administrative authority vested in him under this sub-title, and to provide for the sub-delegation of any such authority.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1953.

Approved March 31, 1953.

## CHAPTER 218

(House Bill 373)

AN ACT to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to issue the certificates of indebtedness of said

EXPLANATION: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

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