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The Department of Legislative Reference is a staff agency for and solely responsible to the General Assembly of Maryland, with the powers, duties, and responsibilities set forth elsewhere in the laws of this State.

146.

The State Fiscal Research Bureau shall have a Director who [upon the recommendation of the Director of the Department of Legislative Reference,] shall be appointed by the Director of the Department of Legislative Reference *after consultation with the President of the Senate of Maryland and the Speaker of the House of Delegates of Maryland.* The Director shall be a person who has had prior experience or training in research, statistical analysis and subjects relating to taxation generally and shall devote his entire time in performing and carrying out the various duties and assignments of the State Fiscal Research Bureau as set forth in this subtitle. The Director shall receive such annual salary as shall be provided in the State budget.

9C.

The positions of all librarians, research analysts, clerks, secretaries, stenographers, and similar occupations in the Department of Legislative Reference and the positions of all stenographers, secretaries, clerks, and similar positions in the Fiscal Research Bureau are part of the classified service, notwithstanding any provisions in Section 3 of this Article or elsewhere.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That nothing in this Act affects the appointment or the tenure of the persons holding on June 1, 1965, the positions of Director of the Department of Legislative Reference and Director of the Fiscal Research Bureau.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That nothing in this Act affects the appointments or merit system status of any of the persons holding positions on June 1, 1965, as librarian, research analyst, clerk, secretary, stenographer, or other similar occupation in the Department of Legislative Reference.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That nothing in this Act affects the appointment or merit system status of any of the persons holding positions on June 1, 1965, as stenographer, secretary, clerk, or other similar occupation in the Fiscal Research Bureau.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1965.

Approved April 8, 1965 .