and such other boards, commissions, administrations, agencies or units of government as may hereafter pursuant to law be declared to be part of the Department of Transportation.

## 207B.

- (a) The State Aviation Administration is hereby established as part of the Department of Transportation. The head of the State Aviation Administration shall be the State Aviation Administrator. The incumbent Director of Aeronautics as of June 30, 1971, shall be the State Aviation Administrator and shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of Transportation. Thereafter, his successors shall be appointed by the Secretary of Transportation with the approval of the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary. The State Aviation Administrator shall receive such salary as provided in the State Budget. The State Aviation Administrator shall report directly to the Secretary of Transportation and shall, subject to the authority of the Secretary of Transportation, be responsible for carrying out the powers, duties, responsibilities and functions vested by law in the State Aviation Administration. The State Aviation Administrator shall also be responsible for carrying out those duties or functions vested in the Secretary of Transportation which the Secretary may delegate to him.
- (b) The State Aviation Commission of Maryland and the office of Director of Aeronautics are hereby abolished. From and after July 1, 1971, all rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions heretofore conferred upon or exercised by the State Aviation Commission of Maryland and the office of Director of Aeronautics shall be transferred to and shall, subject to the authority of the Secretary of Transportation, be exercised by the State Aviation Administration.
- (c) All rules, regulations, forms, orders and directives promulgated by or in effect for the State Aviation Commission of Maryland and the Director of Aeronautics as of June 30, 1971, shall continue in force unless and until changed by the State Aviation Administrator or the Secretary of Transportation.
- (d) All references in this Code, other laws, ordinances, resolutions, rules, regulations, directives, legal actions, contracts or other documents, to the State Aviation Commission of Maryland or the Director of Aeronautics, shall be deemed to mean the State Aviation Administration or the State Aviation Administrator.
- (e) All persons who are as of June 30, 1971, officers and employees of the State Aviation Commission of Maryland, but not including members of the Commission, are hereby confirmed in the office, position and classification which they hold as of June 30, 1971, as officers and employees of the State Aviation Administration, until they retire, resign, or are removed as provided by law.

## 207C.

(a) The Maryland Port Administration is hereby established as part of the Department of Transportation. The head of the Maryland Port Administration shall be the Maryland Port Administrator. The incumbent Executive Director of the Maryland Port Authority as of June 30, 1971, shall be the Maryland Port Administrator and shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of Transportation. Thereafter, his successors shall be appointed by the Secretary of Trans-