

portation with the approval of the Governor, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary. The Maryland Port Administrator shall receive such salary as IS provided in the State Budget. The Maryland Port 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 Maryland Port Administration. The Maryland Port 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 Maryland Port Authority, the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the Maryland Port Authority, and the office of Executive Director of the Maryland Port Authority, are hereby abolished. From and after July 1, 1971, all rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions heretofore conferred upon or exercised by the Maryland Port Authority and the offices of Secretary-Treasurer and Executive Director of the Maryland Port Authority, shall be transferred to and shall, subject to the authority of the Secretary of Transportation, be exercised by the Maryland Port Administration except for those powers and duties transferred to the Maryland Transportation Authority by Section 208C of this Article.*

(c) *All rules, regulations, forms, orders and directives promulgated by or in effect for the Maryland Port Authority as of June 30, 1971, shall continue in force unless and until changed by the Maryland Port 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 Maryland Port Authority shall be deemed to mean the Maryland Port Administration or, if such references relate to matters within the jurisdiction of the Maryland Transportation Authority and such construction be more reasonable, then such references shall be deemed to mean the Maryland Transportation Authority.*

(e) *All persons who are as of June 30, 1971, officers and employees of the Maryland Port Authority, but not including members of the Maryland Port Authority and its Secretary-Treasurer, are hereby confirmed in the office, position and classification which they hold as of June 30, 1971, as officers and employees of the Maryland Port Administration, until they retire, resign, or are removed as provided by law.*

#### 207D.

(a) *The Public Transit Administration is hereby established as part of the Department of Transportation. The head of the Public Transit Administration shall be the Public Transit Administrator. The incumbent General Manager of the Metropolitan Transit Authority as of June 30, 1971, shall be the Public Transit 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 Public Transit Administrator shall receive such salary as provided in the State Budget. The Public Transit Administrator shall report directly to the Secretary of Trans-*