

of State Government of a Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to be headed by a Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services who shall be responsible for carrying out the Governor's policies in the areas of public safety, law enforcement, crime prevention, correction, treatment of defective delinquents, parole and probation, and to provide for the operation of said Department including the establishment of guidelines and procedures for said Department, and to provide for the appointment of two Deputy Secretaries to assist the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, and to provide that the Attorney General be the legal adviser to said Department, and to provide for the responsibility of budgeting of said Department as well as the promulgation of rules and regulations for the Office of the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, as well as the appointment of Advisory Boards for said Department, and to provide that the following agencies, boards, commissions, institutions, and divisions be under the jurisdiction of said Department, the State Civil Defense and Emergency Planning Agency, the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, the State Fire Prevention Commission, the State Fire Marshal, the Police Training Commission, the Maryland Traffic Safety Commission, the Maryland State Police, the Division of Correction, the Patuxent Institution, the Board of Patuxent Institution, the Institutional Board of Review, the Board of Parole, the Division of Parole and Probation, and the Sundry Claims Board; and relating generally to the laws of Maryland providing for public safety, law enforcement, crime prevention, correction, treatment of defective delinquents, parole and probation.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 204 of Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1965 Replacement Volume and 1969 Supplement), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments," subtitle "Department of Correction," be and it is hereby repealed in its entirety and that new Sections 204, 204A, 204B, 204C, 204D, and 204E ~~are hereby enacted~~ BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY ENACTED IN LIEU THEREOF, TO STAND IN THE PLACE OF THE SECTION SO REPEALED, to be under the same title but under the new subtitle "The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services," all to read as follows:

**THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES**

204.

(a) *The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services is hereby created as a principal department of the State Government. The head of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall be the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, who shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.*

(b) *The Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall receive such salary as provided in the State Budget. The Secretary shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor, shall be directly responsible to the Governor, and shall counsel and advise the Governor on all matters assigned to the Department of Public Safety*