

*in reaching their highest potential for self-development. In recognition of the social and economic benefit to the citizens of the State to have access to total library services, the THE State of Maryland, in collaboration with the counties and Baltimore City adopts the policy to promote, support and implement the CONTINUE THE ORDERLY development and maintenance of adequate public and specialized library facilities and services throughout the State. in whatever form and by whatever means may be most beneficial and feasible. Adequate library services are deemed to be necessary to the cultural, educational and economic development of the State of Maryland and to the health, safety and welfare of its people. The State encourages and supports the development of coordinated programs and services with other libraries and institutions that will provide the widest possible access to the library and information resources of the State and insure more effective and economical services to all library users.*

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The State Board of Education shall ~~have~~ EXERCISE general direction and control of library development in the State. The Board shall ~~have~~ EXERCISE the following powers and duties:

- ~~(1)~~ *implement the provisions of this subtitle;*
- (1) MAKE SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS SUBTITLE;
- (2) adopt, pursuant to a consideration of the recommendations of the Advisory Council on Libraries, library policies and procedures for the statewide system of libraries;
- ~~(2)~~ *make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the administration of this subtitle;*
- ~~(4)~~ (3) consider the library needs of the State and recommend to the Governor and the General Assembly legislation or changes in legislation as deemed desirable; and
- ~~(5)~~ (4) report annually to the Governor and the people of the State on the support, condition, progress and needs of libraries.
- (5) ACCEPT FOR THE STATE OF MARYLAND ANY APPROPRIATION OF MONEY AND/OR MATERIALS FOR ANY LIBRARY PURPOSES WHICH MAY HEREAFTER BE MADE FROM THE FEDERAL TREASURY OR FROM FEDERAL PROPERTY, BY AN ACT OR ACTS OF THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, OR PURSUANT THERETO, OR FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE. THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS HEREBY CONSTITUTED THE AGENCY FOR THE EXPENDITURES AND ADMINISTRATION OF ANY SUCH FUNDS OR MATERIALS.

ALL SUCH MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE STATE SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE STATE TREASURY. THE TREASURER SHALL RECEIVE AND PROVIDE FOR THE CUSTODY OF SUCH MONEYS, AND SHALL MAKE DISBURSEMENTS THEREFROM FOR THE PUR-