

(C) ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT, THE DIRECTOR OF THE EXTENSION SHALL BECOME DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE, AND ALL EMPLOYEES OF THE EXTENSION SHALL BECOME EMPLOYEES OF THE INSTITUTE WITHOUT ANY DIMINUTION IN SALARY OR OTHER BENEFITS.

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(A) THE DIRECTOR IS THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD OF THE INSTITUTE, AND HE SHALL REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND.

(B) THE DIRECTOR MAY PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE AND THE DUTIES ASSIGNED TO THE INSTITUTE BY THIS SUBTITLE.

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IN ADDITION TO PERFORMING THE DUTIES AND PROVIDING THE SERVICES FORMERLY PROVIDED BY THE EXTENSION, THE INSTITUTE SHALL:

1. PROVIDE CLASSROOM EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND RESCUE PERSONNEL, BOTH AT THE INSTITUTE AND THROUGHOUT THE STATE BY MEANS OF MOBILE DEMONSTRATIONS AND CLASSES;

2. COOPERATE IN EXISTING ACTIVITIES IN JURISDICTIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE WHICH PROVIDE TRAINING FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND RESCUE PERSONNEL;

3. PREPARE A PLAN FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND OPERATION OF REGIONAL CENTERS FOR THE TRAINING OF FIREFIGHTERS AND RESCUE PERSONNEL;

4. CONDUCT INSTRUCTOR TRAINING;

5. PREPARE OR ADOPT FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING MANUALS AND OTHER TRAINING MATERIALS;

6. RESEARCH AND DEVELOP NEW FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING TECHNIQUES;

7. DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT INDUSTRIAL FIRE TRAINING COURSES AND OTHER SPECIALIZED COURSES IN FIREFIGHTING;

8. COLLECT AND STORE STATISTICS AND RECORDS ON FIRE AND RESCUE EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND RELATED DATA;

9. DEVELOP PROGRAMS TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF THE DANGERS AND DIFFICULTIES OF THE TASKS PERFORMED BY PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS THROUGHOUT THE