

BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, IN ORDER TO SUPPLEMENT THE EFFORTS AND AVAILABLE RESOURCES OF THE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AND DISASTER RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS IN ALLEVIATING THE DAMAGE, LOSS, HARDSHIP, OR SUFFERING CAUSED THEREBY.

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(a) The Governor [is hereby authorized and directed to] SHALL create a Civil Defense and [Emergency Planning] DISASTER PREPAREDNESS Agency. The Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall with the approval of the Governor, appoint a Director of Civil Defense AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS who shall be the administrator thereof. The Civil Defense and [Emergency Planning] DISASTER PREPAREDNESS Agency shall be part of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services. The Director shall hold office during the pleasure of the Secretary, and shall receive such salary as is provided in the budget.

(b) Subject to the authority of the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, the Director may employ professional, technical, clerical, stenographic, and other personnel within the appropriations and (except as to the position of Director) subject to the conditions and limitations contained in Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, as amended from time to time), and the Director may make such expenditures within the appropriations, or from other funds made available to him for purposes of civil defense AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS, as may be necessary, to carry out the purposes of this subtitle. [He shall be provided with necessary and appropriate office space, furniture, equipment, supplies, stationery and printing.]

(c) The Director [shall be] IS the executive head of the State Civil Defense and [Emergency Planning] DISASTER PREPAREDNESS Agency and [shall be] IS responsible to the Governor and the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services for carrying out the program for civil defense AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS for the State of Maryland. He shall coordinate the activities of all organizations for civil defense AND DISASTER OPERATIONS within the State and shall maintain liaison with and cooperate with civil defense agencies and organizations of other states and of the federal government.

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There is [hereby created] a Civil Defense AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS Advisory Council, consisting of such number of persons as the Secretary of Public Safety