

authority vested in him under this subtitle, and [to] provide for the subdelegation of any such authority. The Governor [is authorized to] MAY delegate his authority under this subsection to the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

7.

(a) Each political subdivision of this State [is hereby authorized and directed to] SHALL establish a local organization for civil defense AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS in accordance with the State civil defense AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS plan and program and [to] SHALL participate in federal programs for civil defense AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS. Each local organization for civil defense and [emergency planning] DISASTER PREPAREDNESS shall have a director who shall be appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of the mayor, THE EXECUTIVE, or governing body of the political subdivisions, and who shall have direct responsibility for the organization, administration and operation of such local organization for civil defense and [emergency planning] DISASTER PREPAREDNESS subject to the direction and control of [said mayor] THE MAYOR, EXECUTIVE, or governing body, under general power of the Governor and Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services. The local organization shall [[have such staff, personnel and program as may be required from time to time by the State civil defense AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS organization], except where the local political subdivision comprises a population in excess of 750,000 and maintains a full-time staff and personnel to carry out the State civil defense plan and program. ] AS DETERMINED BY FEDERAL AND STATE STANDARDS]] INCLUDE SUCH POSITIONS AND PROGRAM AS MAY BE RECOMMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE STATE CIVIL DEFENSE AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AGENCY TO MEET FEDERAL AND STATE STANDARDS, SUBJECT TO THE BUDGETS OF THE LOCAL JURISDICTIONS.

9.

(a) Each political subdivision [shall have the power to] MAY make appropriations in the manner provided by law for the payment of expenses of its local organization for civil defense AND DISASTER OPERATIONS.

(b) [When] IF the federal government or any agency or officer thereof [shall offer] OFFERS to the State or any political subdivision thereof, services, equipment, supplies, materials, or funds by way of gift, grant or loan for purposes of civil defense AND DISASTER OPERATIONS, the State, acting through the Governor, or such political subdivision, acting with the consent of the Governor, and through its executive officer or