

(2) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FEDERAL ACTS, ALLOCATE AND APPORTION THESE FEDERAL FUNDS TO ITSELF AND TO THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THIS STATE;

(3) REPRESENT ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF NEGOTIATING, CONTRACTING, OR DEALING WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AS TO CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION UNDER THE FEDERAL ACTS;

(4) UNDERTAKE ALL CONTRACTS, PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND ESTIMATES RELATING TO THIS CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION; AND

(5) SUPERVISE DIRECTLY THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION WORK DONE UNDER THE FEDERAL ACTS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the first sentence of Art. 89B, §76(1) and from Art. 89B, §76(2) and (4).

In this section and throughout this subtitle, the present listings of various governmental units (e.g., "any county, the City of Baltimore, ... {or} any ... special taxing area") are deleted in favor of the more simple and equally broad term "political subdivision".

Similarly, present, misleading references to "other State or local agencies and subdivisions of government ... and their duly elected or appointed officers" are deleted. As to "other State or local agencies and subdivisions", the qualification "other" - when read in context with its antecedent ("any county ..., city, municipality, town ...") - suggests that nothing more than a political subdivision was intended. (If read more broadly, these references would appear to imply that all State and local agencies, whatever their normal duties and functions, have been granted vastly broader powers than envisioned by - and notwithstanding any express limitations in - their respective enabling legislation. This implication apparently was not intended; certainly, §8-504(a) of this subtitle never was intended to permit a local liquor board, for example, to raise funds by taxation.) As to "duly elected or appointed officers", the reference is superfluous since these officers would derive their authority (as would an "agency") from that granted to this State and its political subdivisions and subsequently delegated to them by the State or the political subdivision.