

(7) COOPERATE WITH THE MARYLAND FIRE AND RESCUE INSTITUTE TO DEVELOP AND OPERATE A SYSTEM FOR COLLECTING, ANALYZING, AND EXCHANGING INFORMATION ON EMERGENCY SERVICES EDUCATION AND TRAINING;

(8) ENCOURAGE, PROMOTE, AND REVIEW NEW TECHNIQUES, METHODS, AND PROCEDURES FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES;

(9) COOPERATE WITH AND REVIEW MATERIAL FROM OTHER STATES AND FEDERAL AGENCIES ON EMERGENCY SERVICES EDUCATION AND TRAINING;

(10) RECOMMEND TO THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION RULES AND REGULATIONS NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE TO ACCOMPLISH THE PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES OF THE COMMISSION;

(11) REVIEW ANY PROPOSED OR ADOPTED NATIONAL STANDARDS OR CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND RECOMMEND TO THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION THE ACTIONS THAT SHOULD BE TAKEN REGARDING THEM;

(12) PREPARE AN ANNUAL REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION TO THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION, THE GOVERNOR, AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND

(13) PROVIDE A PLACE OF STORAGE FOR THE RECORDS OF THE COMMISSION AND THE ORIGINAL GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON FIRE SERVICES.

(F) STAFF SERVICES.

THE STATE BOARD FOR HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE STAFF SERVICES FOR THE COMMISSION.

SUBTITLE 2. CERTIFICATES OF APPROVAL FOR INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION.

12-201. "INSTITUTION OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION" DEFINED.

IN THIS SUBTITLE:

(1) "INSTITUTION OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION" MEANS A SCHOOL OR OTHER INSTITUTION THAT OFFERS AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM IN THIS STATE FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE AT LEAST 16 YEARS OLD AND WHO HAVE GRADUATED FROM OR LEFT ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL; AND

(2) "INSTITUTION OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

(I) ANY ADULT EDUCATION, EVENING HIGH SCHOOL, OR HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCE PROGRAM CONDUCTED BY A PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM OF THIS STATE; OR

(II) ANY APPRENTICESHIP OR ON-THE-JOB TRAINING PROGRAM SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COUNCIL.