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(A) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT AND MAINTAIN A COUNCIL ON TOXIC SUBSTANCES WHICH SHALL ADVISE THE SECRETARY IN ALL MATTERS CONCERNING TOXIC AND CARCINOGENIC SUBSTANCES. THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE APPOINTED FROM A LIST OF PERSONS RECOMMENDED BY THE SECRETARY. IN ADDITION TO THOSE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, THE COUNCIL SHALL HAVE ONE MEMBER FROM THE SENATE OF MARYLAND, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, AND ONE MEMBER FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

(B) THE COUNCIL SHALL BE COMPRISED OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, LICENSING AND REGULATION, TRANSPORTATION, STATE PLANNING, AND COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL, THE STATE POLICE, THE MARYLAND CIVIL DEFENSE AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AGENCY, THE AFL-CIO, THE MARYLAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE JOHNS HOPKINS AND UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS, AND ANY OTHER PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY THAT THE GOVERNOR DEEMS APPROPRIATE. EACH PERSON APPOINTED TO THE COUNCIL SHALL BE KNOWLEDGEABLE CONCERNING OR HAVE A SERIOUS INTEREST IN TOXIC AND CARCINOGENIC SUBSTANCES. ~~THERE--SHALL--BE--NO--MORE--THAN--25--PERSONS--ON--THE--COUNCIL--AND--MEMBERS--OF--THE--COUNCIL--SHALL--SERVE--AT--THE--PLEASURE--OF--THE--GOVERNOR--~~ THE COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF 25 MEMBERS APPOINTED FOR 3-YEAR TERMS AND BE ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT.

~~(C)--THE--FIRST--APPOINTEES--TO--THE--COUNCIL--UNDER--THIS--SUBTITLE--SHALL--BE--THOSE--PERSONS--SERVING--ON--THE--COUNCIL--AS--OF--JULY--17--1979--~~

~~(D)~~ (C) THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL RECEIVE NO COMPENSATION FOR THEIR SERVICES AS MEMBERS, BUT SHALL BE REIMBURSED FOR ACTUAL EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AS PROVIDED IN THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET. NECESSARY SECRETARIAL AND SUPPORT SERVICES SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE.

~~(E)~~ (D) THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL DETERMINE THE TIME, PLACE, AND FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS AND DESIGNATE A CHAIRPERSON FOR THE COUNCIL.

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(A) THE COUNCIL SHALL MAY:

(1) COLLECT AND EVALUATE ALL PERTINENT AVAILABLE DATA ON TOXIC AND CARCINOGENIC SUBSTANCES INCLUDING ASBESTOS IN SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS;

(2) ADVISE THE SECRETARY ON SHORT-RANGE AND LONG-RANGE COURSES OF ACTION IN DEALING WITH THOSE SUBSTANCES;