

(3) CONDUCT INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE;

(4) ISSUE CITATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE;

(5) PERMIT VARIANCES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE;

(6) PROMULGATE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR HEARINGS HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE;

(7) IMPOSE CIVIL PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE;

(8) ESTABLISH RECORDKEEPING AND REPORTING PROCEDURES NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT HIS DUTIES CREATED BY THIS SUBTITLE; ~~AND~~

(9) ACCEPT AND RECEIVE GRANTS OF MONEY FROM ANY AGENCY OR AGENTS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATED UNDER ANY ACT OF THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS RELATING TO RAILROAD SAFETY AND HEALTH; AND

(10) HAVE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION INVOLVING ALL AREAS OF RAILROAD SAFETY EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THE SECTIONS OF THE MARYLAND CODE NOT TRANSFERRED IN THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) THE COMMISSIONER OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE, MAY ADMINISTER OATHS, CERTIFY AS TO OFFICIAL ACTS, TAKE AND CAUSE TO BE TAKEN DEPOSITIONS OF WITNESSES, ISSUE SUBPOENAS, AND COMPEL THE ATTENDANCE OF WITNESSES AND PRODUCTION OF PAPERS, BOOKS, DOCUMENTS, RECORDS, AND TESTIMONY. IF A PERSON DOES NOT COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER, A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, ON APPLICATION OF THE COMMISSIONER OR HIS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, IN A PROCEEDING FOR CONTEMPT, MAY COMPEL THE PERSON TO COMPLY WITH THE SUBPOENA.

(C) THE COMMISSIONER MAY ACCEPT AND USE, WITH THE CONSENT OF THE AGENCY OR AGENCIES, THE SERVICE, FACILITIES, AND EMPLOYEES OF ANY AGENCIES OF THE STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, WITH OR WITHOUT REIMBURSEMENT IN ORDER TO ASSIST HIM IN CARRYING OUT HIS RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

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(A) IF THE COMMISSIONER DETERMINES TO ADOPT AND ISSUE ANY RULE, REGULATION, STANDARD, MODIFICATION, AMENDMENT, OR REVOCATION THEREOF, HE SHALL PUBLISH IN THE MARYLAND REGISTER NOTICE OF HIS INTENTION TO ADOPT, AND AFFORD INTERESTED PERSONS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT DATA OR COMMENTS IN WRITING OR ORALLY AT A PUBLIC HEARING OR HEARINGS AS HE MAY PRESCRIBE. PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF ANY RULE, REGULATION, STANDARD, MODIFICATION OR AMENDMENT THEREOF, THE

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