

hereof, shall be designated by the Governor and will not be an elected official or an employee of the State of Maryland.

(c) The membership of the Balance of State Planning Council shall be composed of representatives of such groups as required by Section 109(b) of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act, as amended, and such rules and regulations as may be promulgated thereunder. The Chairperson of the Balance of State Private Industry Council described below (or his designee) shall serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Balance of State Planning Council.

(d) The Balance of State Planning Council, which serves in an advisory capacity, shall:

(1) meet at such times (no less than 5 times each year) and in such places as the Chairperson deems appropriate, such meetings to be publicly announced, and, to the extent appropriate and permitted by law, open and accessible to the general public;

(2) participate in the development of, and submit recommendations regarding, the Balance of State's Comprehensive Employment and Training plan and the basic goals, policies and procedures of the Balance of State programs and of other employment and training programs in its area;

(3) monitor, and provide for objective evaluation of, employment and training programs conducted in such area;

(4) provide for continuing analysis of the need for employment, training and related services in such area, including efforts to reduce and eliminate artificial barriers to employment;

(5) take into consideration any comments and recommendations of the

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