

(including a sanitary district or water district) a number of persons sufficient to operate it are appointed to the vacancies and have qualified. The powers provided in this section exist and may be exercised only during the effective period of an official proclamation by the Governor, declaring a portion or all of the tax area or tax district (including a sanitary district or water district) to be within [a civil defense] AN EMERGENCY [or disaster] area, actual or threatened.

35.

(a) If, by reason of any military or warlike catastrophe, there are conditions of serious human suffering, death, personal injury, and property damage, or any of these conditions, in any of the counties of this State; and if the Governor of Maryland for this reason officially has proclaimed part or all of the county to be within [a civil defense] AN emergency [or disaster] area, actual or threatened, the board of county commissioners or county council of the county has the powers granted in this section for the period during which the proclamation is effective.

36.

All laws, ordinances, resolutions, and regulations of this State and of any of its political subdivisions, and of any board, department, bureau, commission, or other agency of the State or of one of its political subdivisions, which relate to or concern [a civil defense] AN emergency [or disaster], actual or threatened, military or warlike catastrophe, are applicable and may be applied during the effective period of an official proclamation of the Governor of this State declaring a portion or all of the particular area to be within [a civil defense] AN emergency [or disaster] area, actual or threatened. The provisions of this section do not qualify or reduce powers of [civil defense or of civil defense] EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL DEFENSE agencies which for their effectiveness do not depend upon the existence of an emergency or upon a proclamation by the Governor.

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and
Administrative Departments

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(a) The following departments, agencies, boards, commissions, offices, divisions, and units of the State government are included within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services: the [Maryland Civil Defense and Disaster Preparedness] STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL DEFENSE Agency established pursuant to § 204D of this article, the [Civil Defense and Disaster Preparedness] EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND---CIVIL---DEFENSE Advisory Council, the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board,