

Defined term: "Secretary" § 1-101

(C) ASSISTANT SECRETARY: FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS.

(1) THE SECRETARY SHALL APPOINT AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS.

(2) THIS ASSISTANT SECRETARY SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY.

(3) THIS ASSISTANT SECRETARY SHALL HAVE AT LEAST:

(I) A BACCALAUREATE DEGREE; AND

(II) EXPERIENCE IN HEALTH ADMINISTRATION.

(4) THIS ASSISTANT SECRETARY IS ENTITLED TO THE SALARY PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

(5) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, RULE, OR REGULATION:

(I) THIS ASSISTANT SECRETARY IS RESPONSIBLE TO THE SECRETARY FOR ALL OF THE FUNCTIONS, ADMINISTRATION, AND OPERATION OF THE MENTAL HYGIENE, DRUG ABUSE, AND ALCOHOLISM CONTROL ADMINISTRATIONS PROVIDED BY LAW OR BY RULES OR REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT; AND

(II) ALL EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING FUNCTIONS OF THE DRUG ABUSE AND ALCOHOLISM CONTROL ADMINISTRATIONS SHALL BE ADMINISTERED IN THE OFFICE OF THIS ASSISTANT SECRETARY BY A DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 41, § 206D.

Under a reorganization plan approved by the Governor, the Secretary made this Assistant Secretary responsible for the Department functions in the areas of mental retardation and developmental disabilities and administratively renamed this Assistant Secretary as "Assistant Secretary for Mental Health, Mental Retardation, Addictions, and Developmental Disabilities". For a discussion of the authority to effect this reorganization, see Opinion No. 80-081 (November 6, 1980) (unpublished).

The Commission to Revise the Annotated Code notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that this reorganization is not reflected in this article, since doing so might preclude a further