

(b) For these purposes, a member of the security force is a police officer with the same powers that a peace officer or a police officer has in his jurisdiction. However, the security force does not have exclusive police power as to the transit facilities and other property owned, leased, operated, or otherwise controlled by the Administration.]

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(A) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A POLICE FORCE TO PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR ITS PATRONS, PERSONNEL, AND ALL TRANSIT FACILITIES OWNED, LEASED, OR OPERATED UPON, BY, OR UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE ADMINISTRATION. THE POLICE FORCE IS CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ENFORCING THE APPLICABLE LAWS, ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS OF THE STATE AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATION.

(B) (1) A MASS TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION POLICE OFFICER HAS ALL THE POWERS GRANTED TO A PEACE OFFICER AND A POLICE OFFICER OF THIS STATE. THESE POWERS MAY BE EXERCISED ONLY ON PROPERTY OWNED, LEASED, OR OPERATED UPON, BY, OR UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND NOT ON ANY OTHER PROPERTY UNLESS:

(I) ENGAGED IN FRESH PURSUIT OF A SUSPECTED OFFENDER;

(II) SPECIALLY REQUESTED OR PERMITTED TO DO SO IN A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION BY ITS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR ITS CHIEF POLICE OFFICER; OR

(III) ORDERED TO DO SO BY THE GOVERNOR.

(2) MEMBERS OF THE POLICE FORCE HAVE CONCURRENT JURISDICTION IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES WITH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE STATE AND OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IN WHICH ANY TRANSIT FACILITY OF THE ADMINISTRATION IS LOCATED OR IN WHICH THE ADMINISTRATION OPERATES ANY TRANSIT SERVICE. NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS SECTION RELIEVES THE STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR AGENCY THEREOF FROM A DUTY TO PROVIDE POLICE, FIRE AND OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICE AND PROTECTION OR AFFECTS THE JURISDICTION OF OTHER POLICE, FIRE, AND PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES.

(C) (1) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION, THE ADMINISTRATOR, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY, SHALL ADOPT STANDARDS, QUALIFICATIONS, AND PREREQUISITES OF CHARACTER, TRAINING, EDUCATION, HUMAN AND PUBLIC RELATIONS, AND EXPERIENCE FOR MASS TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION POLICE OFFICERS, INCLUDING STANDARDS FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES.