Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to investigations into the "cause" and "mortality" of cancers is deleted as unnecessary in light of the broad duty to investigate causes of disease and mortality under § 18-101 of this subtitle.

Defined term: "Secretary" § 1-101

18-105 TOXIC SUBSTANCES.

THE SECRETARY MAY ADOPT PROCEDURES TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT DISEASES THAT ARE CAUSED BY TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND ABOUT THE INCIDENCE OF THESE DISEASES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language patterned after Article 43, § 33(b), as that subsection relates to diseases caused by toxic substances.

Defined term: "Secretary" § 1-101

18-106. OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES.

(A) -- APPLICATION-TO-BALTIMORE-CITY-

TO--THE--EXTENT--THAT--ANY--ACTION--UNDER--THIS-SECTION APPLIES-TO-BALTIMORE-CITY,-THE-SECRETARY-SHALL--ACT--JOINTLY WITH-THE-BALTIMORE-CITY-COMMISSIONER-OF-HEALTH.

(B) -- GENERAL-BUTIES-

THE-SECRETARY-SHALL:

(1)--STUDY--066UPATIONAL--DISEASES--AND--MEANS-TO PREVENT-AND-CONTROL-THE-DISEASES,-AND

(2)--GUBMIT----TO---THE----GENERAL-----ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATIONS-TO-PREVENT-AND-CONTROL-THESE-DISEASES.

(C) -- RULES-AND-REGULATIONS-

AFTER--A--PUBLIC--HEARING--BEFORE--THE--SEGRETARY,--THE SEGRETARY-MAY--ADOPT--RULES--AND--REGULATIONS--NEGESSARY--TO PREVENT-AND-CONTROL-OCCUPATIONAL-DISEASES-

(D) -- INVESTIGATIONS.

THE-SECRETARY-SHALL:

(1)--INVESTIGATE--EACH--INDUSTRIAL-CONDITION-THAT IS-SUSPECTED-OF-CAUSING-AN-OCCUPATIONAL-DISEASE;-AND

(2)--RECOMMEND-MEANS-TO-CONTROL-THE-CONDITION-