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(A) THE SECRETARY OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SHALL APPOINT, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, A DEPUTY SECRETARY WHO SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY AND WHO SHALL RECEIVE SUCH COMPENSATION AS IS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET. THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SHALL HAVE SUCH DUTIES AS ARE DELEGATED BY THE SECRETARY AND SHALL BE THE ACTING SECRETARY DURING PERIODS WHEN THE SECRETARY MAY BE ABSENT FROM THE STATE OR OTHERWISE UNAVAILABLE.

(B) THE SECRETARY OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SHALL ALSO HAVE ATTACHED TO THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY SUCH ASSISTANTS, PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS, AND EMPLOYEES AS ARE PROVIDED FOR IN THE STATE BUDGET. THE SECRETARY MAY ESTABLISH AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY WITHIN THE OFFICE AND DESIGNATE ASSISTANTS TO BE IN CHARGE OF SUCH AREAS. ALL STAFF ASSISTANTS IN THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE IN CHARGE OF PARTICULAR AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY, AND ALL PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY. ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE, UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, SHALL BE APPOINTED AND REMOVED BY THE SECRETARY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 64A OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND.

(C) THE APPOINTMENT OR REMOVAL OF PERSONNEL BY AN ADMINISTRATION, BOARD, COMMISSION, DIVISION, OR OTHER AGENCY WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY; HOWEVER, THE SECRETARY IS AUTHORIZED TO DELEGATE THIS POWER OF APPROVAL TO THE HEADS OF GOVERNING BODIES OF THE ADMINISTRATION, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, DIVISIONS, OR OTHER AGENCIES WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING.

(D) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL BE THE LEGAL ADVISOR TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL ASSIGN TO THE DEPARTMENT SUCH NUMBER OF ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL AS ARE NOW AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO BE ASSIGNED TO THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COUNCILS, OR UNITS WHICH ARE HEREIN, OR MAY HEREAFTER BY LAW BE DEEMED TO BE PART OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING; AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL ALSO ASSIGN TO THE DEPARTMENT SUCH ADDITIONAL NUMBER OF ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL AS MAY HEREAFTER BE AUTHORIZED BY LAW FOR SUCH DEPARTMENT. ONE OF THE SAID ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL SHALL BE DESIGNATED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AS COUNSEL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING. THE COUNSEL TO THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HAVE NO DUTY OTHER THAN TO RENDER, SUBJECT TO THE DISCRETION AND CONTROL OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, SUCH LEGAL AID, ADVICE, AND COUNSEL AS THE SECRETARY AND THE OTHER OFFICIALS OF SAID DEPARTMENT MAY REQUIRE, AND THE SUPERVISION OF THE OTHER ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL ASSIGNED TO THE DEPARTMENT. AFTER THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS DESIGNATED AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL TO SERVE AS COUNSEL TO THE DEPARTMENT, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL NOT REASSIGN SAID COUNSEL WITHOUT CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARY. THE COUNSEL TO