

(c) The purpose of the Program is to provide for the operation, maintenance, security, and preservation of veterans' memorials and monuments.

(d) In furtherance of these purposes, the [Commission] DEPARTMENT may, as provided for in the budget:

- (1) lease land on behalf of the State or a political subdivision of the State;
- or
- (2) acquire land that has been improved by construction of a memorial or monument.

(e) The Secretary may adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.

(f) (1) The [Commission] DEPARTMENT shall, as provided for in the budget, provide for the management of the veterans' memorials and monuments as provided in this section.

(2) The [Commission] DEPARTMENT may delegate any of its powers and duties under this section to a special commission or board created by the [Commission] DEPARTMENT and approved by the Governor.

(g) The [Commission] DEPARTMENT may acquire, hold, use, and improve property for the purposes specified in subsection (c) of this section.

(h) Subject to Title 7 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, the [Commission] DEPARTMENT may:

- (1) accept gifts or grants;
- (2) unless otherwise provided, spend the principal and income of a gift or grant; and
- (3) invest all or part of the principal income in general obligations of the State or any other security.

[9-917.] 9-909.

[In this Part III of this subtitle,] "Home" means the home OR HOMES for veterans that the [Maryland Veterans' Home Commission] DEPARTMENT supervises.

[9-927.] 9-910.

(a) The [Veterans' Home Commission] DEPARTMENT shall:

(1) maintain and supervise generally the Home in accordance with this [Part III of this] subtitle; and

(2) adopt any regulation that is needed for management of the Home, including regulations for admission, maintenance, and discharge of its residents.

(b) (1) The [Veterans' Home Commission] DEPARTMENT may appoint a [Commandant] DIRECTOR for the Home and employ any other staff that is needed to manage the Home properly.