

(4) DEVELOP AN INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICE FOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS;

(5) FOSTER COORDINATION OF AND SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS;

(6) PROMOTE THE ESTABLISHMENT DESIGNATION OF LOCAL OR REGIONAL OFFICES TO COORDINATE SERVICES TO HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS;

(7) UPON--REQUEST--BY--A--STATE--OR---LOCAL---AGENCY; INVESTIGATE--APPROPRIATE--SOURCES--OF--STATE-AND-FEDERAL-FUNDS--TO EXPAND--PROGRAMS--AND--SERVICES; MONITOR AND ENCOURAGE STATE GOVERNMENT COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND POLICIES AFFECTING HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS, AND RECOMMEND CHANGES ON BEHALF OF HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS;

(8) SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNOR AND TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AN ANNUAL REPORT THAT GIVES THE STATUS OF THESE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MORE EFFECTIVE DELIVERY OF THE SERVICES; AND

(9) ~~PROVIDE---TECHNICAL---ASSISTANCE---TO--THE--STATE ADVISORY-COUNCIL-FOR-HANDICAPPED-INDIVIDUALS-~~ SUPPORT THE COUNCIL IN PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES; AND

(10) ANNUALLY RECOMMEND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE PLANNING CAPITAL BUDGET PROJECTS FOR INCLUSION IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET TO PROMOTE ACCESS TO STATE-OWNED FACILITIES FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS.

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THERE IS A STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS.

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(A) THE COUNCIL CONSISTS OF 26 MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR.

(B) OF THE 26 COUNCIL MEMBERS:

(1) 1 SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE STATE SENATE;

(2) 1 SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES;

(3) 1 SHALL BE THE SECRETARY OR A DESIGNEE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FISCAL PLANNING;

(4) 3 SHALL BE FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;