

(a) The office of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds is established and continued as the same office of Superintendent of "State Office Buildings--Baltimore" hitherto existing. The office of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds shall be part of the Department of General Services. The office of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds shall have, subject to the authority of the Secretary of General Services, the powers, duties, responsibilities and functions provided in the laws or regulations of this State for the office of Superintendent of "State Office Buildings--Baltimore." All references in the laws of this State, or in ordinances, resolutions, rules, regulations, legal actions, directives or documents to the office of Superintendent of "State Office Buildings--Baltimore," shall be deemed to mean the office of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds.

(b) The head of the office of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds shall be the Superintendent of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds. The incumbent Superintendent of "State Office Buildings--Baltimore" shall be Superintendent of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds; he shall be subject to removal in accordance with the provisions of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and his successors shall be appointed and removed in accordance with the provisions of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Superintendent of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds shall have assigned to him such other employees, at such compensation, as shall be provided for in the State budget.

(c) The Superintendent of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds, subject to the direction of the Secretary of General Services, shall be responsible for maintaining and guarding the following public buildings of this State (with their associated grounds): the State Office Building in Baltimore, the State Highway Administration Building in Baltimore, the former Department of Motor Vehicles Building in Baltimore, and such other buildings and grounds owned or controlled by the State in or in the vicinity of Baltimore as may be designated by the Board of Public Works.

(d) Subject to the direction of the Secretary of General Services, the Superintendent of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds shall have, with respect to the buildings and grounds within his jurisdiction, the same duties, functions, authority, and obligations as are set forth in §§ 135, 136, 137 and 138 of this article relating to Annapolis Public Buildings and Grounds.

(e) (1) The Superintendent of Baltimore Public Buildings and Grounds and the Superintendent of Annapolis Public Buildings and Grounds shall provide and maintain a security force for the facilities and properties which each is responsible for maintaining and guarding. The purpose of each force is to protect persons and property; to disperse assemblages which are unlawful, dangerous, or obstruct full and free passage; to control pedestrian or vehicular traffic; and otherwise to