

(B) ALL REFERENCES IN THIS OR ANY OTHER ARTICLE OF THE CODE TO THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES OR TO THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY SHALL BE DEEMED TO MEAN THE COMMUNITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.

362.

(a) The [Office of] Community Services ADMINISTRATION is part of the State Department of Human Resources. The Secretary of Human Resources, with the approval of the Governor, shall appoint an Executive Director of the [Office] ADMINISTRATION who shall be chief administrative and executive officer thereof. The Secretary, with the approval of the Governor, also shall appoint a deputy director of the [Office] ADMINISTRATION who shall be the principal assistant to the Executive Director. They shall not be subject to the provisions of Article 64A of this Code, and shall be selected because of their known experience and interest in the advancement and development of economic opportunity. They shall receive such salaries as provided in the budget from time to time.

(b) The exercise of all authority, duties, and functions vested in the [Office of] Community Services ADMINISTRATION or the Executive Director or deputy director thereof by the provisions of this subtitle or by any other laws of this State shall be subject to the authority of the Secretary of Human Resources as set forth in Article 41 of this Code or elsewhere in the laws of Maryland.

363.

(a) The [Office] ADMINISTRATION shall maintain liaison with the Federal Community Services Administration, county and city commissions on economic opportunity, citizens groups and all other agencies of the State, federal, county and municipal governments and it shall consult with and advise these local groups on their programs on economic opportunity and shall work at all levels of government to administer and implement the Federal Headstart, Economic Opportunity and Community Partnership Act of 1974 and program.

(b) The [Office] ADMINISTRATION shall collect and assemble pertinent information and data available from other departments and agencies of the State and federal governments and shall disseminate information in the interest of economic opportunity programs in this State by publication, advertisement, conferences, workshops, programs, lectures and other means.

(c) The [Office] ADMINISTRATION may employ professional, technical, clerical, stenographic, and other personnel to carry out its duties and functions within the limits of budgetary appropriations from time to time. The employees of the [Office] ADMINISTRATION, except the Director and deputy director, shall be subject to the provisions contained in Article 64A of the Code,