

THE PURCHASE OF STATE-OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES FOR ANY UNIT OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT SHALL BE REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY BEFORE THE PURCHASE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Art. 15A, § 23A(a).

In subsections (a) and (c) of this section, the words "unit of the Executive Branch of the State government" are substituted for the former references to "departments, boards, bureaus, commission, and other agencies of the State government" and "agencies of the State government", to clarify that the authority of the Secretary does not extend to the Legislative Branch or Judicial Branch. See 61 Op. Att'y Gen. 241 (1976).

The only other changes are in style.

The Commission to Revise the Annotated Code points out to the General Assembly that this section, which, except as noted above, is revised with only minor stylistic changes from former Art. 15A, § 23A, is not consistent with practice. The General Assembly may wish to consider substantive legislation in this area.

Defined term: "Secretary" § 3-101

3-503. MISCELLANEOUS POWERS AND DUTIES OF SECRETARY.

(A) REGULATIONS.

(1) TO ENSURE ECONOMICAL AND EFFICIENT USE OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY UNITS OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT, THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT AND ENFORCE REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(2) THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY TO:

(I) ALL PHASES OF THE USE AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE-OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES; AND

(II) THE REIMBURSEMENT OF OWNERS OF PRIVATELY OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES.

(3) THE REGULATIONS SHALL BE DIRECTED TO:

(I) REQUIRING THE EFFECTIVE, EFFICIENT, AND INEXPENSIVE USE OF ALL MOTOR VEHICLES; AND

(II) COMPILING AND MAINTAINING ACCURATE AND DETAILED COST ACCOUNTING RECORDS FOR ALL USE OF MOTOR VEHICLES.