

their number a director of the St. Mary's City Commission, to serve as executive secretary of the Commission and to direct and administer the activities of the Commission subject to the direction and control of the Commissioners and the Secretary of Economic and Community Development. [The director shall serve at such salary as may be determined by the Commission, subject to approval by the Secretary of the Department of Economic and Community Development.] The Commission may employ other persons [at such salaries as it may determine,] subject to the approval by the Secretary of the Department of Economic and Community Development. The director and other employees of the Commission [are not subject to the provisions of Article 64A, of this Code, title "Merit System," and they] may be appointed and removed by the Secretary of the Department of Economic and Community Development from time to time. The director and each other officer and employee of the Commission, at the election of each individual, may become a member of the State Employees' Retirement System and be subject fully to the provisions of Article 73B of this Code, title "Pensions."

(b) The Commission from time to time shall elect one of their number to serve as vice-chairman. In the absence of the chairman, the vice-chairman shall assume the duties of that office.

(c) The Commission from time to time shall elect one of their number to serve as treasurer. The treasurer shall be a responsible person and shall receive and account for such funds of the Commission as come into his custody. He shall, upon entering the duties of his office, be covered by a surety bond in accordance with the provisions of §§ 46 through 50 of Article 78A of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

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(a) The Energy Assistance and Information Program is part of the Maryland Office of Economic Opportunity. A coordinator for the program shall be appointed by the executive director of the Maryland Office of Economic Opportunity. The coordinator shall be the chief administrator of the Energy Assistance and Information Program. The executive director of the Maryland Office of Economic Opportunity shall also appoint a deputy coordinator who shall be the principal assistant to the coordinator. Both appointees [are not subject to Article 64A of this Code, and] shall be selected because of their known experience and interest in the development and implementation of economic opportunity programs. [They shall receive salaries as provided in the budget.]

(b) The exercise of all authority, duties, and functions vested, or to be vested, in the office of Energy Assistance and Information or in the coordinator or the deputy coordinator by the provisions of this subheading or by any other laws of this State is subject to the authority of the Secretary of the