

~~(C) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE DISTRIBUTION OF WORKPLACE TRAINING FUNDS IN COORDINATION WITH OTHER DEPARTMENT TRAINING PROGRAMS, INCLUDING THE PARTNERSHIP FOR WORKFORCE QUALITY PROGRAM AND THE MARYLAND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING PROGRAM.~~

~~3-602.~~

THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COORDINATE ITS EFFORTS AND ACTIVITIES WITH THE APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COUNCIL AND APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION.

Subtitle [5.]7. Partnership for Workforce Quality.

[3-501.] 3-701.

(a) There is a Partnership for Workforce Quality Program within the Department of BUSINESS AND Economic [and Employment] Development.

(b) The Partnership for Workforce Quality Program shall provide training services:

(1) To improve the competitiveness and productivity of Maryland's workforce and business community;

(2) To upgrade employee skills for new technologies or production processes; and

(3) To assist Maryland businesses in promoting employment stability.

[3-502.] 3-702.

(a) (1) There is a Partnership for Workforce Quality Advisory Board as part of the Department of BUSINESS AND Economic [and Employment] Development.

(2) (i) The Board shall consult on a regular basis with the Work Force Investment Board AND COMMISSION concerning the activities of the Partnership for Workforce Quality Program.

(ii) The Board shall submit a quarterly report on the Program to the Work Force Investment Board.

(3) The Board consists of 15 members, appointed by the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of BUSINESS AND Economic [and Employment] Development and the Chairman of the Work Force Investment Board.

(4) The Board membership shall include:

(i) 5 representatives of business of which 3 shall be representatives of employers with less than 100 employees;

(ii) 3 representatives of organized labor;

(iii) 2 representatives of the general public;