

[(2) "Crime" does not include any act that involves the operation of a vessel or motor vehicle that results in injury, unless the injuries were intentionally inflicted through the use of the vessel or motor vehicle.]

(d) "Executive Director" means the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of [Justice Administration] CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION.

(e) "Fund" means the Maryland Victims of Crime Fund established under Article 27, § 764 of the Code.

(f) "Victim" means an individual who suffers [personal injury or death] DIRECT OR THREATENED PHYSICAL, EMOTIONAL, OR FINANCIAL HARM as a direct result of a crime, INCLUDING A FAMILY MEMBER OF A MINOR, INCOMPETENT, OR HOMICIDE VICTIM.

(g) "Victim Services Coordinator" means the person who is appointed under the provisions of § 9-1708 of this subtitle.

9-1702.

In recognition that State and local law, programs, and procedures must be continually updated to meet the unique needs of crime victims, the General Assembly finds that:

(1) there is a need for the State Board of Victim Services and the position of "Victim Services Coordinator" for the purpose of monitoring, assessing, coordinating, and making recommendations concerning State and local efforts to assist victims of crimes;

(2) the Victim Services Program should be transferred to be under the authority of the Governor's Office of [Justice Administration] CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION; and

(3) the administrative consolidation effected by this transfer will minimize fragmentation of functions that the State government performs on behalf of crime victims and assist in the coordination, efficiency, and greater effectiveness of State assistance to victims of crime.

9-1703.

There is in the Governor's Office of [Justice Administration,] CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION, created by Executive Order [01.01.1992.02,] 01.01.1995.18, or in any successor unit, a State Board of Victim Services.

9-1704.

(a) (1) The Board consists of [17] 22 members who shall serve without compensation.

(2) The Board shall consist of:

(iv) [3] 6 members of the public, appointed by the Governor, on the recommendation of the Executive Director;