(C) "CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER" MEANS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE NEW BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

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Subject to the applicable provisions of this article AND THE MASTER PLAN ADOPTED BY THE BOARD UNDER § 4-311 § 4-309 OF THIS SUBTITLE, the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City shall establish and maintain a system of free public schools in Baltimore City [, as provided in the Baltimore City charter].

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- (A) IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH A <u>NEW PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY OF</u> BALTIMORE AND THE STATE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF PUBLIC EDUCATION IN BALTIMORE CITY AND TO ENCOURAGE THE <u>MORE</u> EFFICIENT USE OF THE RESOURCES OF THE STATE AND BALTIMORE CITY, THE NEW BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS IS ESTABLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.
 - (B) THE PURPOSE OF THE BOARD IS TO:
- (1) RAISE THE LEVEL OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT OF THE STUDENTS IN THE BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM; AND
- (2) IMPROVE THE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IN BALTIMORE CITY.
- (C) THE BOARD SHALL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN BALTIMORE CITY.
- (D) (1) THE BOARD SHALL <u>HAVE THE AUTHORITY AND</u> BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL FUNCTIONS RELATING TO THE BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM.
- (2) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF LOCAL LAW GOVERNING THE BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM, THE BOARD MAY ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS AND PRESCRIBE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE MANAGEMENT, MAINTENANCE, OPERATION, AND CONTROL OF THE BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM.
- (3) THE BOARD SHALL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL OF THE FUNCTIONS FORMERLY PERFORMED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION OF BALTIMORE CITY AND THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS OF BALTIMORE CITY.
- (4) THE BOARD MAY NOT BE DEEMED AN AGENCY OF THE STATE. 4–304.
- (A) THERE IS A NEW BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS OF THE BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM:
 - (B) THE BOARD CONSISTS OF: