(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, except as provided in subsection (a) of this section, this subtitle applies to all units of the Executive Branch of State government including [the University System of Maryland and all other] PUBLIC institutions of higher education OTHER THAN THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND AND MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY.

3 - 703.

- (a) The provisions of this subtitle may not apply to a telecommunication system or service that is owned or operated by THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND; MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, OR a unit of the Legislative or Judicial Branch.
- (b) The provisions of this subtitle may not preempt the authority of [the University System of Maryland or] the Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission to own, operate, or manage telecommunication systems, services, or equipment. 3-704.

Telecommunications, including those of the [University System of Maryland and] Maryland Public Broadcasting System, shall be consistent with statewide information technology policies and standards and the statewide information technology master plan.

4-402.

- (a) (1) Except as provided in § 4-409 of this subtitle, this subtitle does not apply to any public improvement made by:
 - (i) the Department of Transportation or a unit in that Department;
 - (ii) any housing authority created under Article 44A of the Code;
- (iii) the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission;
 - (iv) the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission;
 - (v) the Baltimore County Metropolitan District; [or]
- (vi) a county, municipal corporation, or unit of a county or municipal corporation; \underline{OR} \underline{OR}
 - (VII) THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND; OR.

(VIII) MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY.

- (2) Except as provided in §§ 4-406, 4-410, and 4-410.1 of this subtitle or as otherwise provided by law, [the University System of Maryland,] Morgan State University[,] and St. Mary's College of Maryland are IS AND MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ARE subject to the provisions of this subtitle.
- (b) The Board of Public Works may exempt specific projects of a unit of the State government from the provisions of this subtitle.