BY adding to

Article 41 Governor Executive and Administrative Departments

Section 10 201 through 10 203, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle

Article - State Government

Section 9-2301 through 9-2307, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 2: 23. Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments Article - State Government

SUBTITLE $\frac{1}{2}$. $\frac{23}{2}$. OFFICE OF THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING. $\frac{10-201}{2}$. 9–2301.

- (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) "OFFICE" MEANS THE OFFICE OF THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
- (C) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING.
- (D) (1) "DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS" MEANS THOSE RESIDENTS OF MARYLAND WHO HAVE A PARTIAL OR COMPLETE LOSS OF HEARING.
- (2) "DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS" INCLUDES THE DEAF, THE HARD OF HEARING, AND THE LATE DEAFENED.
- (B) "COUNCIL" MEANS THE MARYLAND ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS.
- (C) (1) "DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS" MEANS THOSE RESIDENTS OF MARYLAND WHO HAVE A PARTIAL OR COMPLETE LOSS OF HEARING.
- (2) "DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS" INCLUDES THE DEAF, THE HARD OF HEARING, AND THE LATE-DEAFENED.
 - (D) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE.
- (A) <u>IN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR</u> THERE IS AN OFFICE OF THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING.