

personnel, and accounting, and otherwise collaborate formally and informally with St. Mary's College, on the use and exchange of expertise and resources, both managerial and educational, as both entities may determine is prudent and effective, in advancing the basic mission of each institution;

(3) To grant the Commission authority over its plans, projects, and operations, subject to any State and federal laws with respect to the protection of historic and archaeological sites of significance to the State, including its status as a State historic property and national historic landmark;

(4) To facilitate the support of Historic St. Mary's City by other executive departments, including the Maryland Historical Trust in the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Museum Services Program located at Jefferson Patterson Park Museum, the Financial Assistance Programs [and Office of Tourism] in the Department of Business and Economic Development, THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM, and the Department of Education;

(5) To provide the Historic St. Mary's City Commission with the organizational structure and funding mechanisms necessary to more effectively function, and recognize the outdoor history museum and archaeological park located on the site of Maryland's first capital, as an educational facility for students and visitors of all ages; and

(6) To endorse the Commission's focus on developing the educational potential of Historic St. Mary's City, including a closer affiliation with St. Mary's College of Maryland, as the most effective way to assure that this unique site with its archaeological riches and importance to the history of Maryland and the nation is recognized and supported both privately and publicly as Maryland's most important historic site, with a view to attaining national recognition for St. Mary's City as a site of eminent national historical significance.

~~Article — Financial Institutions~~

~~13-1103.~~

(b) ~~The Authority is an independent unit of government in the Executive Branch of government that operates in the Department of [Housing and Community Development] TOURISM.~~

~~13-1104.~~

(a) ~~The Authority consists of:~~

(1) ~~The Secretary of [Housing and Community Development] TOURISM, who shall serve as Chairman of the Authority;~~

(2) ~~THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT;~~

~~[(2)] (3) The Secretary of Business and Economic Development;~~

~~[(3)] (4) The Secretary of Higher Education;~~

~~[(4)] (5) The Secretary of Transportation;~~