

(2) IF A VACANCY OCCURS DURING THE TERM OF A MEMBER, THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY SHALL APPOINT ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM.

(D) A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

(1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR DUTIES PERFORMED AS A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL; BUT

(2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

(E) THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE:

(1) A FULL-TIME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR; AND

(2) STAFF SUPPORT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

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~~(A) (1) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE COUNCIL SHALL PREPARE A BUDGET FOR SUBMISSION TO THE GOVERNOR WITH DUE REGARD TO THE DICTATES OF PRACTICALITY AND THE FISCAL CONDITION OF THE STATE.~~

~~(2) THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE COUNCIL IN THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET SUFFICIENT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE COUNCIL.~~

~~(B) THE COUNCIL IS SUBJECT TO AN AUDIT BY THE OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH §§ 2-1217 THROUGH 2-1227 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.~~

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THE COUNCIL SHALL:

(1) GATHER INFORMATION, SOLICIT IDEAS, AND ADVISE AND PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON WAYS TO:

(I) DEVELOP TRANSITIONAL SUPPORTS AND EXPAND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR OFFENDERS BOTH IN INSTITUTIONAL AND COMMUNITY SETTINGS;

(II) PROVIDE MORE EXTENSIVE EMPLOYMENT COUNSELING FOR OFFENDERS UNDER CORRECTIONAL CONTROL;

(III) TRANSFER SUCCESSFUL INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT PREPARE OFFENDERS FOR EMPLOYMENT AND PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMUNITY SETTINGS;

(IV) INCREASE JOB PLACEMENT AND JOB RETENTION RATES FOR ALL OFFENDERS UNDER CORRECTIONAL CONTROL;