

(F) ANY MEMBER WHO FAILS TO ATTEND AT LEAST 50 PERCENT OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS DURING ANY 12-MONTH PERIOD SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE RESIGNED.

9-2306.

THE COUNCIL SHALL:

(1) ADVISE THE OFFICE IN CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES;

(2) REVIEW STATEWIDE ACTIVITIES FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING REVIEWING REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS;

(3) FOSTER COORDINATION OF AND SUPPORT FOR PROGRAMS FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS;

(4) STUDY WAYS TO MAXIMIZE THE USE OF THE FACILITIES AND SERVICES AVAILABLE TO DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS;

(5) HOLD:

(I) AT LEAST QUARTERLY, REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS;
AND

(II) OPEN MEETINGS TO PROVIDE DIRECT COMMUNICATION, BETWEEN DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS AND PRIVATE AND PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC, ABOUT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR AND NEEDS OF DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS; AND

(6) ASSIST ANY LOCAL GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY TO ESTABLISH A LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS IN THE COUNTY FOR PURPOSES OF IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 AND OTHER RELEVANT STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS.

9-2307.

ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2002, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, THE DIRECTOR SHALL SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THIS ARTICLE, TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, A REPORT ON:

(1) THE ACTIVITIES OF THE OFFICE;

(2) THE STATUS OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FACILITATED BY THE OFFICE;

(3) STATISTICS ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS RELATED TO DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS; AND

(4) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVED DELIVERY OF SERVICES FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS.