

(4) LOCAL OFFICIALS IN THE STATE POSSESS GREAT KNOWLEDGE AND INSIGHT IN THIS FIELD AND ARE AWARE OF THE NEEDS FOR MODIFICATION, AND THEIR COOPERATION IN DEVELOPING, APPLYING, AND REFINING A SATISFACTORY PROGRAM IS ESSENTIAL;

(5) THERE IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO COOPERATE WITH OTHER STATES, WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE PUBLISHED WIDELY USED MODEL BUILDING CODES OR STANDARDS OF REGULATIONS, AND WITH OTHER SIMILARLY ENGAGED AGENCIES, INCLUDING THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY;

(6) THIS COOPERATION SHALL BE AN INTEGRAL ELEMENT IN THE APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS STATEWIDE PROGRAM; AND

(7) THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE PROTECTED BEST IF THE STATE ASSUMES THE RESPONSIBILITY TO ENFORCE IN THE STATE FEDERAL CONSTRUCTION AND SAFETY STANDARDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANUFACTURED HOME CONSTRUCTION AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 83B, § 6-201.

In the introductory language of this section, the phrase "[t]he General Assembly finds" is substituted for the former phrases "[i]t is found" and "[i]t is further found" to clarify the entity who makes these findings.

Also in the introductory language of this section, the former references to "declared" are deleted as redundant of the word "finds" and for consistency with similar provisions in other revised articles of the Code. *See, e.g.*, BR § 3-102 and IN § 7-102.

In item (2) of this section, the reference to the health and safety of "the public" is substituted for the former reference to the health and safety of "the people" for consistency throughout this article. Similarly, in item (7) of this section, the phrase "the public" is substituted for the former reference to "Maryland residents" for clarity and consistency throughout this article.

In item (7) of this section, the specific reference to the "Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act" is substituted for the former reference to the "federal law establishing the standards" for clarity.

Defined terms: "Industrialized building" § 12-301

"Manufactured home" § 12-301

"Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act" § 12-301

"State" § 1-101

12-303. POWERS RESERVED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE, LOCAL LAND USE REQUIREMENTS, BUILDING SETBACK REQUIREMENTS, SIDE AND REAR YARD REQUIREMENTS, SITE DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTY LINE REQUIREMENTS, ZONING REQUIREMENTS AND UNIFORM FIRE CONTROL REGULATIONS, REGARDLESS OF