

EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 14-306 OF THIS SUBTITLE, EACH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, FIRE COMPANY, OR RESCUE SQUAD OF THE STATE, A COUNTY, OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION WITHIN AN EMERGENCY AREA SHALL OPERATE UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE PERSON DESIGNATED BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 41, § 2-101(d) and (b)(4).

In the introductory language of subsection (a) and in subsection (e) of this section, the former reference to "city" law enforcement bodies or officials, fire companies, and rescue squads is deleted as included in the reference to those of a "municipal corporation" to conform to Md. Constitution, Art. XI-E. Similarly, in subsection (d) of this section, the former reference to a "city" law enforcement agency is deleted.

In the introductory language of subsection (a) of this section, the reference to law enforcement "agenc[ies]" is substituted for the former reference to law enforcement "bodies" for consistency with terminology used throughout this subtitle and this article. Similarly, in subsection (e) of this section, the reference to law enforcement "agencies" is substituted for the former reference to law enforcement "officials" for consistency within this section.

Also in the introductory language of subsection (a) of this section, the former phrase "of this State" is deleted as implicit in the reference to "each law enforcement agency, fire company, or rescue squad of the State, a county, or municipal corporation".

In subsection (a)(2) of this section, the word "personnel" is substituted for the former word "manpower" to use a gender-neutral equivalent term.

Also in subsection (a)(2) of this section, the former phrase "as they may possess" is deleted as implicit.

In subsection (c)(1) of this section, the reference to local "law enforcement agencies" is substituted for the former reference to local "police" for consistency within this section.

Defined terms: "County" § 1-101

"Public emergency" § 14-301

#### 14-306. MILITIA.

##### (A) "MILITIA" DEFINED.

IN THIS SECTION, "MILITIA" MEANS THE ORGANIZED AND UNORGANIZED MILITIA AS DESCRIBED IN § 13-203 OF THIS ARTICLE.

##### (B) AUTHORITY OF GOVERNOR TO CALL MILITIA INTO ACTION.

IF THE GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS THAT A STATE OF EMERGENCY EXISTS, THE GOVERNOR MAY CALL THE MILITIA INTO ACTION.