2002 LAWS OF MARYLAND

(VI) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING A COUNTY AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM;

(VII) ONE MEMBER FROM THE MARYLAND GRANGE;

(VIII) ONE MEMBER FROM THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION:

- (IX) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING FORESTRY GROUPS IN THE STATE; AND
 - (X) ONE MEMBER FROM THE MARYLAND LAND TRUST ALLIANCE.
- (C) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, THE GOVERNOR SHALL ATTEMPT TO ENSURE REGIONAL, ECONOMIC, ETHNIC, AND GENDER DIVERSITY ON THE TASK FORCE.
- (D) THE GOVERNOR SHALL DESIGNATE ONE MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE AS CHAIRMAN.
- (E) A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS A MEMBER BUT IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.
- (F) THE TASK FORCE SHALL MEET AT LEAST MONTHLY AT THE TIMES AND PLACES THAT THE CHAIRMAN DETERMINES.
 - (G) THE TASK FORCE SHALL STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR:
- (1) GUIDELINES FOR FARMLAND PRESERVATION ACREAGE GOALS FOR EACH COUNTY THAT COMPLEMENT THE STATE GOAL;
- (2) GUIDELINES FOR DESIGNATION BY COUNTIES AND CERTIFICATION BY THE STATE OF PRIORITY PRESERVATION AREAS;
- (3) INCREASED FUNDING FROM NEW SOURCES FOR THE FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM THAT IS TARGETED TO PRIORITY PRESERVATION AREAS AND THAT ENABLES THE PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE ITS LEGISLATIVE GOALS;
- (4) OTHER REVENUE SOURCES FOR THE FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM THAT PROVIDE THE LEVEL OF FUNDING THAT ENABLES THE PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE ITS LEGISLATIVE GOALS;
- (5) A SCHEDULE TO FOCUS NEW FUNDING INCREASINGLY OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD TO PRIORITY PRESERVATION AREAS;
- (6) THE CREATION AND FUNDING OF A STATEWIDE CRITICAL FARMS PROGRAM AND METHODS TO ENCOURAGE THE CREATION OF COUNTY CRITICAL FARMS PROGRAMS;
 - (7) CHANGES IN PROVISIONS ABOUT TENANT HOUSES;