

emergency measure; and generally relating to the establishment of a the Maryland Security Council.

BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 9-2501 through 9-2509, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 25. Maryland Security Council"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - State Government**

SUBTITLE 25. MARYLAND SECURITY COUNCIL.

9-2501.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "COUNCIL" MEANS THE MARYLAND SECURITY COUNCIL.

(C) ~~"DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE MARYLAND SECURITY COUNCIL.~~

(D) "EMERGENCY" MEANS:

(1) THE THREAT OR OCCURRENCE OF ANY HURRICANE, TORNADO, STORM, FLOOD, HIGH WATER, WIND-DRIVEN WATER, TIDAL WAVE, EARTHQUAKE, LANDSLIDE, MUDSLIDE, SNOWSTORM, DROUGHT, FIRE, EXPLOSION, OR OTHER CATASTROPHE IN ANY PART OF THE STATE WHICH REQUIRES STATE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO SUPPLEMENT LOCAL EFFORTS IN ORDER TO SAVE LIVES AND PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE; OR

(2) THE THREAT OR OCCURRENCE OF ANY ENEMY ATTACK, ACT OF TERRORISM, OR PUBLIC HEALTH CATASTROPHE.

~~(E)~~ (D) (1) "GOVERNMENTAL UNIT" MEANS A PERMANENT INSTRUMENTALITY IN THE EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE, OR JUDICIAL BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT.

(2) "GOVERNMENTAL UNIT" INCLUDES A DEPARTMENT, BOARD, COMMISSION, AGENCY, OR SUBUNIT IN THE EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE, OR JUDICIAL BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT.

9-2502.

THERE IS A MARYLAND SECURITY COUNCIL WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.