

(3) RECOMMEND CHANGES TO ANY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN AND COORDINATE REVISIONS TO ANY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL; AND

(4) ENSURE, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, THAT ALL APPROPRIATE AND NECESSARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE STATE'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY IS DISSEMINATED TO AND EXCHANGED AMONG APPROPRIATE ENTITIES.

9-2507.

(A) THE COUNCIL MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO EXERCISE OPERATIONAL AUTHORITY OVER THE STATE'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RESPONSE, EXCEPT AS DIRECTED BY THE GOVERNOR.

(B) CONSISTENT WITH ITS REPORTING OBLIGATIONS UNDER § 9-2508 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE AUTHORITY OF THE COUNCIL IS ADVISORY ONLY.

9-2508.

ALL PERSONNEL IN ANY GOVERNMENTAL UNIT SHALL COOPERATE WITH THE COUNCIL IN THE DISCHARGE OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL AND WITH REGARD TO ANY REASONABLE REQUEST THAT THE COUNCIL MAKES FOR INFORMATION ASSOCIATED WITH ITS PURPOSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

9-2509.

ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2002 AND ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH SUBSEQUENT YEAR, THE COUNCIL SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONCERNING ITS ACTIVITIES AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the terms of the initial appointed members of the Maryland Security Council who are appointed by the Governor shall expire as follows:

- (1) ~~two~~ 2 members in 2003;
- (2) ~~two~~ 2 members in 2004; and
- (3) ~~three~~ 3 members in 2005.

SECTION 2-3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

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