"DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to avoid repetition of the full reference to the "Department of Human Resources".

7-302. ESTABLISHED; PURPOSE.

(A) ESTABLISHED.

THERE IS A MARYLAND CAREGIVERS SUPPORT COORDINATING COUNCIL IN THE DEPARTMENT.

(B) PURPOSE.

THE PURPOSE OF THE COUNCIL IS TO COORDINATE STATEWIDE PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF FAMILY CAREGIVER SUPPORT SERVICES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 88A, § 129A(a).

Defined terms: "Council" § 7-301 "Department" § 7-301

7-303. MEMBERSHIP.

- (A) COMPOSITION; APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS.
- (1) THE COUNCIL CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR:
- (I) TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES;
- (II) THREE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE:
 - (III) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING;
 - (IV) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN AREA AGENCY ON AGING;
- (V) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES;
- (VI) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MARYLAND RESPITE CARE COALITION;
 - (VII) TWO CONSUMERS OF RESPITE CARE SERVICES;

(VIII) THREE FAMILY CAREGIVERS; AND

- (IX) THREE REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE OR HAVE INTEREST OR EXPERTISE IN RESPITE CARE SERVICES.
- (2) IN APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COUNCIL, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE GOVERNOR SHALL CONSIDER GROUPS REPRESENTING INDIVIDUALS WITH: