Subsection (b) of this section is standard language added to state the requirement that an individual appointed to any office of profit or trust take the oath specified in Md. Constitution, Art. I, § 9. This addition is supported by 64 Op. Att'y Gen. 246 (1979).

In subsection (d) of this section, the reference to the Secretary's "compensation" is substituted for the former reference to the Secretary's "salary" for accuracy and consistency throughout this article. See General Revisor's Note to article.

Defined terms: "Department" § 9-101
"Secretary" § 9-101

9-203. ADMINISTRATION OF DEPARTMENT.

(A) OPERATION OF DEPARTMENT.

THE SECRETARY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT AND SHALL ESTABLISH GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES TO PROMOTE THE ORDERLY AND EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.

(B) AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY IN DEPARTMENT.

THE SECRETARY MAY ESTABLISH, REORGANIZE, OR ABOLISH AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY IN THE DEPARTMENT AS NECESSARY TO FULFILL THE DUTIES ASSIGNED TO THE SECRETARY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly was Art. 83C, § 2-102(b)(2).

The only changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Department" § 9-101
"Secretary" § 9-101

9-204. SECRETARY'S POWERS AND DUTIES.

(A) ENFORCEMENT.

THE SECRETARY SHALL CARRY OUT AND ENFORCE THIS TITLE, THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT, AND ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW THAT RELATES TO THE SECRETARY OR THE DEPARTMENT.

- (B) REGULATIONS.
- (1) THE SECRETARY MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF LAW THAT ARE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE SECRETARY.
- (2) THE SECRETARY SHALL REVIEW AND MAY REVISE THE REGULATIONS OF:
- (I) EACH UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT IS AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO ADOPT REGULATIONS; AND
  - (II) THE DEPARTMENT.