5-593.

## THE COUNCIL SHALL:

- (1) ADVISE AND COUNSEL THE CHILD CARE ADMINISTRATION;
- (2) REVIEW CHILD CARE REGULATIONS PROPOSED BY THE CHILD CARE ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER STATE AGENCIES TO INSURE REGULATING CHILD CARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSURING COORDINATION AND CONSISTENCY:
- (3) REVIEW ISSUES AND PROBLEMS RELATING TO CARE OF CHILDREN AND SUGGEST PRIORITIES FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CHILD CARE ADMINISTRATION; AND
- (4) IDENTIFY INTERDEPARTMENTAL ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE TO CHILD CARE PROVIDERS AND CONSUMERS USERS THAT SHOULD BE ADDRESSED BY THE CHILD CARE ADMINISTRATION OR OF THE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER STATE AGENCIES.

  5-503.
- (A) (1) THE COUNCIL CONSISTS OF AT LEAST 25 21 MEMBERS, BUT NO MORE THAN 31 25 MEMBERS, APPOINTED AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS PART IX OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- (2) IN APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COUNCIL, THE SECRETARY SHALL, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, APPOINT MEMBERS REPRESENTING GEOGRAPHICALLY DIVERSE JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE STATE.
  - (B) THE MEMBERS INCLUDE:
    - (1) THE SECRETARY OF THE ENVIRONMENT OR A DESIGNEE;
- (2) THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE OR A DESIGNEE;
  - (3) THE DIRECTOR OF THE CHILD CARE ADMINISTRATION;
- (4) THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES OR A DESIGNEE;
- (5) THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION OR A DESIGNEE:
- (6) 1 MEMBER OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE:
- (7) 1 MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE; AND