

(I) NOTICE OF EXCESSIVE SAFETY VIOLATIONS.

(1) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL INSPECT, INVESTIGATE, AND REVIEW WORK PRACTICES AND WORK SITES OF EACH EMPLOYER AND INDUSTRY THAT THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION IDENTIFIES UNDER § 9-311(B) OF THIS ARTICLE FOR EVIDENCE OF EXCESSIVE SAFETY VIOLATIONS.

(2) IF EVIDENCE OF AN EXCESSIVE SAFETY VIOLATION IS FOUND, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL SEEK APPROPRIATE RELIEF UNDER SUBTITLE 8 OF THIS TITLE.

(3) SUBJECT TO § 2-1312 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL SUBMIT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AN ANNUAL REPORT OF INVESTIGATIONS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

(J) REFERRAL TO STATE'S ATTORNEY.

WHENEVER THE COMMISSIONER HAS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT A PERSON HAS VIOLATED ANY PROVISION OF THIS TITLE FOR WHICH CRIMINAL PROSECUTION IS PROVIDED, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL REFER THE ALLEGED VIOLATION TO THE STATE'S ATTORNEY OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE VIOLATION ALLEGEDLY OCCURRED OR THE PERSON RESIDES.

(K) HELP FOR EMPLOYERS.

THE COMMISSIONER SHALL:

(1) ASSIST EMPLOYERS IN CARRYING OUT THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS TITLE; AND

(2) RECOMMEND AND SUGGEST TO EMPLOYERS AND GROUPS OF EMPLOYERS METHODS AND PROCEDURES TO DEVELOP SAFETY PROGRAMS TO CARRY OUT THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES.

(L) DUTIES OF SAFETY ENGINEERING AND EDUCATION SERVICE.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSIONER, THE SAFETY ENGINEERING AND EDUCATION SERVICE SHALL:

(1) INVESTIGATE AND ANALYZE THE CAUSES OF INDUSTRIAL AND OCCUPATIONAL ACCIDENTS; AND

(2) PLAN AND CONDUCT COURSES AND PROGRAMS THAT THE SERVICE DESIGNS TO REDUCE ACCIDENTS.

(M) DUTY OF SAFETY INSPECTORS.