

(3) The membership of the Council shall include representation by black, female, and handicapped persons. Consultants to the Council shall include representation by black, female, and handicapped persons.

(4) In advising the Governor, the Secretary shall give consideration to a balanced geographic representation from all of Maryland and a representative sampling and mix of Maryland industry.

(5) One member shall be appointed as Chairman by the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary, and serve as Chairman at the pleasure of the Governor. The [State Director of Vocational Education and the State Supervisor] ASSISTANT STATE SUPERINTENDENT, CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION, AND THE MARYLAND STATE DIRECTOR of the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, U.S. Department of Labor, shall serve as consultants to the Council without vote.

(6) The Governor, with the advice of the Secretary may appoint up to 3 additional consultants to the Council from the public at large.

(b) All appointments as members of the Council shall be for terms of 4 years.

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(a) The duties of the Council shall be to:

(1) Determine the apprenticeability of trades in the State of Maryland;

(2) Encourage the establishment of local apprenticeship committees where such committees are needed and approve their programs;

(3) Formulate and adopt standards of apprenticeship which safeguard the welfare of apprentices, being guided, but not controlled, by the standards of apprenticeship recommended by the federal committee on apprenticeship and provide guidance and counsel on the establishment of other forms of on-the-job training;

(4) Formulate policies for the overall apprenticeship program;

(5) Register standards of apprenticeship of such groups or [employees] EMPLOYERS as elect to conform with the provisions of this subtitle;

(6) Register apprenticeship agreements which conform to the standards of apprenticeship adopted by the Council;

(7) Issue certificates of completion of apprenticeship to apprentices who are registered with the Council when such apprentices have completed successfully their apprenticeship;

(8) Seek all information pertaining to apprenticeship training in the State;

(9) Prescribe its rules of procedure and duties of the Chairman, Director, and Secretary subject to the provisions of this law; and

(10) Perform such other functions as the Governor or the Secretary may direct or as may come within the scope of the Council.