REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsection (a) of this section formerly was the second sentence of Art. 41, § 8-101(a).

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).

Subsections (c)(1) and (2) and (d) of this section are new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 41, § 8-101(b) and (c) and, as it related to establishing areas of responsibility, the second sentence of § 8-103(b).

Subsection (c)(3) of this section is new language that repeats the provisions of the fourth sentence of present Art. 41, § 1-201. Although present Art. 41, § 1-201 sets forth the general powers of all the secretaries of principal departments, the fourth sentence of that present section is repeated here, as a responsibility of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation, since the laws that relate to other secretaries specifically state that power. See the General Revisor's Note to Title 8, Subtitle 2 of the State Government Article.

The Business Regulation Article Review Committee notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that other revised articles give the Secretary of a Department power to establish, reorganize, or abolish areas of responsibility in that Department. See, e.g., EN § 1-402(b)(2), HG § 2-102(b)(2), SF §§ 3-202(d)(2), 4-202(c)(2), and 5-202(d)(2), and TR § 2-102(b)(2).

The only other changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Department" § 1-101 "Secretary" § 1-101

2-103. DEPUTY SECRETARY, CONSULTANTS, AND OTHER STAFF.

- (A) DEPUTY SECRETARY.
- (1) WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY SHALL APPOINT A DEPUTY SECRETARY.
 - (2) THE DEPUTY SECRETARY:
 - (I) SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY:
- (II) IS ENTITLED TO THE SALARY PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET; AND
- (III) HAS THE DUTIES PROVIDED BY LAW OR DELEGATED BY THE SECRETARY.
- (B) GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF STAFF.