

(IX) ONE SHALL REPRESENT THE MARYLAND STANDARD BREED INDUSTRY;

(X) ONE SHALL REPRESENT THE ACADEMIC EQUINE COMMUNITY; AND

(XI) ONE SHALL REPRESENT THE EQUINE TRADE AND SUPPORT INDUSTRIES.

(3) THE SECRETARY, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE, SHALL SERVE AS AN EX OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

(b) Before taking office, each appointee to the Board shall take the oath required by Article I, § 9 of the State Constitution.

(c) (1) The term of a member is 4 years.

(2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the Board on July 1, 1980.

(3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(d) The Governor may remove a member for incompetency or misconduct.

§2-708.

*The Except as provided in § 2-708.2 of this subtitle, the Board shall pay all funds collected under this subtitle into the General Fund of this State.*

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THE BOARD SHALL:

(1) CARRY OUT THE LICENSING, INSPECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE;

(2) ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT REGARDING MATTERS AFFECTING THE HORSE INDUSTRY IN THE STATE;

(3) SUPPORT RESEARCH RELATED TO EQUINE HEALTH AND RELATED ISSUES;

(4) PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF HORSES IN THE STATE;

(5) CREATE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE VALUE OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES AS THEY RELATE TO THE PRESERVATION OF GREEN SPACE AND AGRICULTURAL LAND; AND

(6) DEVELOP AND DISSEMINATE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE EQUINE INDUSTRY, INCLUDING THE HISTORY AND TRADITION OF BREEDING AND THE ROLE OF HORSES IN RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.