

13-302. ESTABLISHED; PURPOSES.

(A) ESTABLISHED.

THERE IS A BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL.

(B) STATUS.

THE COUNCIL:

(1) IS A BODY POLITIC AND CORPORATE; AND

(2) IS NOT A UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT.

(C) PURPOSES.

THE PURPOSES OF THE COUNCIL ARE TO:

(1) SERVE AS A FORUM FOR LOCAL OFFICIALS AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES TO IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS PROBLEMS IN THE REGION;

(2) PROVIDE A CENTRAL SOURCE OF INFORMATION AND COORDINATION FOR FASHIONING RESPONSES TO NEEDS IN THE REGION; AND

(3) ASSIST LOCAL JURISDICTIONS IN DEVELOPING REGIONAL POLICIES, PRIORITIZING REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS, AND DEVELOPING REGIONAL STRATEGIES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 78D, § 2.

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the reference to a "body politic and corporate" is substituted for the former reference to a "body corporate and politic" for consistency within this article.

In subsection (b)(2) of this section, the reference to a "unit" is substituted for the former reference to an "agency" for consistency. See General Revisor's Note to article.

Subsection (c) of this section is revised as a list of purposes rather than duties for clarity and consistency with similar provisions in other subtitles of this title.

In subsection (c)(3) of this section, the former phrase "in the Baltimore Metropolitan Region" is deleted in light of the reference to "regional" policies, needs, and strategies.

Defined terms: "Council" § 13-301

"Region" § 13-301

"State" § 9-101

13-303. MEMBERSHIP.

(A) COMPOSITION; APPOINTMENT.