- (2) A member of the Commission may not vote or participate in deliberations on an application for recognition of Maryland Indian status made by the petitioning group to which the member belongs.
- (c) (1) The Governor may issue an executive order providing recognition of Maryland Indian status to the petitioning group.
  - (2) The executive order:
- (i) shall be submitted to the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review; and
  - (ii) shall take effect 30 days after it is submitted.
  - (d) (1) This section does not:
    - (i) create a right of ownership or any other right to land;
    - (ii) create a benefit or entitlement of any kind;
- (iii) impair existing rights, benefits, or entitlements belonging to Indians living in the State;
- (iv) impair existing judicial rulings of the State regarding Indians of the State; or
- (v) give the Commission the power to establish standards for membership in an Indian community.
- (2) The power to establish standards for membership in an Indian community is reserved to the community.
- (3) An act or failure to act by the Commission under this section does not create a private cause of action under State law.

## 9.5-402.

There is a Commission on African American History and Culture IN THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES.

## 9.5 - 405.

(a) The Commission shall meet at the call of the chair, a majority of the members, or the [Secretary] GOVERNOR.