

funds not in the Treasury (excluding retirement system funds); and public funds by local government.

This committee reports annually to the General Assembly (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., 1975 Supp., Art. 40, secs. 92-96).

MARYLAND COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION

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The Maryland Commission on Intergovernmental Cooperation, originally created by Chapter 331, Acts of 1937, had its membership reconstituted by Chapter 37, Acts of 1964, by Chapter 34, Acts of 1975 and by Chapter 281, Acts of 1976. The Commission consists of eighteen members appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates. Eight members are members of the Senate and eight members are members of the House of Delegates. These members include ex officio,

the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and the majority and minority leaders of both Houses. These appointments are at the pleasure of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House who also designate the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Commission. Two members of the Commission are the President of the Maryland Association of Counties, Inc. and the President of the Maryland Municipal League, Inc. or their designees.

The Advisory Committee consists of five members, two of whom are appointed by the Governor. The other members are the Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning or his alternate, the Secretary of State Planning or his alternate, and the Attorney General or his alternate.

It is the function of this Commission to carry forward the participation of the State as a member of The Council of State Governments. The Commission participates in activities of the National Conference of State Legislatures and the Southern Legislative Conference of The Council of State Governments. It encourages the cooperative exchange of information and research with officials and employees of other states, the federal government, and local units of government. It fosters and maintains contacts and liaison with agencies and representatives of the federal government, concerning federal program and activities, and circulates information and data thus obtained among the several agencies of the State and its political subdivisions. It endeavors to advance cooperation between this State and other units of government when it seems advisable by formulating proposals for the adoption of compacts, the enactment of uniform or reciprocal statutes, the adoption of uniform or reciprocal administrative rules, the informal cooperation of governmental offices with one another, and in general, to assist Maryland to do its part in bringing the various governments in the United States into close contact and to develop The Council of State Governments for this purpose (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 40, secs. 16-20).