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The Joint Budget and Audit Committee was created in 1968 (Chapter 456, Acts of 1968). The Committee provides detailed study and review of budget analyses, the capital budget, fiscal policy, fiscal research, post audits, departmental operation and efficiency within State government, and other matters relating to fiscal matters. From the Executive Department and the Department of Fiscal Services it receives annual reports on the effect of long-term State debt on the State's financial condition.

Annually, the Committee reviews federally-funded projects requiring future State funds and nonbudgeted funds used for capital programs. It also reviews rules and regulations that require increased expenditures, establishes policies and directives for the Department of Fiscal Services, and submits an annual report to the General Assembly.

The Committee consists of twenty members, including the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and the majority and minority floor leaders. Remaining members are divided equally between legislators who serve on the fiscal committees in the Senate and the House of Delegates. The chairperson and vice-chairperson are named by joint action of the presiding officers (Code State Government Article, secs. 2-601 through 2-606).

JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHESAPEAKE BAY CRITICAL AREAS

Senate Chairperson: James C. Simpson
House Chairperson: Michael H. Weir

Senate members: William H. Amoss; Bernie Fowler; Frederick C. Malkus, Jr.; Gerald W. Winegrad.

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The Joint Committee on Chesapeake Bay Critical Areas was created in 1984 (Chapter 794, Acts of 1984). Periodically, the Committee meets with the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Commission to review development and implementation of the criteria for critical areas program development.

The Committee consists of ten members: five senators appointed by the President of the Senate and five delegates appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates (Code Natural Resources Article, sec. 8-1808).

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL RELATIONS

Chairperson: Thomas M. Yeager

Vice-Chairperson: Sheila E. Hixson

Senate members: John N. Bambacus; Clarence W. Blount; Michael J. Collins; Idamae Garrott; Paula C. Hollinger; Edward J. Kasemeyer; Albert R. Wynn.

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The Joint Committee on Federal Relations originated as the Maryland Commission on Intergovernmental Cooperation in 1937 (Chapter 331, Acts of 1937). The Commission was reorganized as the Joint Committee on Federal Relations in 1983 (Chapter 401, Acts of 1983). The Committee monitors and evaluates the relations between State and federal government and the impact of proposals to alter those relationships on the State, local government, and Maryland citizens. It informs State legislative and executive officials concerning federal relations and the impact of proposals for change. The Committee serves also as a forum for the consideration of certain State-local issues.

To advance cooperation between the State and other units of government, the Committee formulates proposals for the adoption of compacts, the enactment of uniform or reciprocal statutes, and the adoption of uniform or reciprocal administrative rules. The Committee also proposes the informal cooperation of governmental offices with one another, the personal cooperation of government