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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF JANUARY 7, 2000**

01.01.2000.01

Statewide Water Conservation Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory  
Committee on Water Supply Infrastructure

WHEREAS, I, Parris N. Glendening, Governor of the State of Maryland, on July 29, 1999, declared a drought emergency throughout the State of Maryland and appointed a Drought Emergency Coordinating Committee to recommend water use restrictions;

WHEREAS, On September 2, 1999, a Renewed Drought Declaration was issued, encouraging all citizens, businesses, industries and community organizations of the State to voluntarily reduce their water usage to the maximum extent possible, and directing that the Drought Emergency Coordinating Committee be maintained to provide continuing advice to the Governor on statewide water supply issues;

WHEREAS, Water resource accounting and loss control are recognized as important aspects of an effective, long-term conservation strategy;

WHEREAS, The physical integrity of aging infrastructure, as well as leakage within community water supply systems account for significant water loss; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of the critical importance of conservation in avoiding water supply shortages in drought conditions, the Drought Emergency Coordinating Committee has recommended that the State develop and implement long-term water conservation plans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. Established. Two Advisory Committees are established to assist the State in developing and implementing long-term water conservation policies and programs. They are:
  - (1) The Statewide Water Conservation Advisory Committee; and
  - (2) The Technical Advisory Committee on Water Supply Infrastructure.
- B. Membership and Duties. The Advisory Committees shall be structured and directed in the following manner:
  - (1) Statewide Water Conservation Advisory Committee.

- (a) Composition. The Statewide Water Conservation Advisory Committee shall be comprised of members appointed by the Governor to represent State and local government, major water suppliers, environmental interest organizations, business, farming, public education and the general public.
  - (b) Duties. The Statewide Water Conservation Advisory Committee shall perform the following duties:
    - (i) Establish uniform statewide indicators for evaluating drought conditions;
    - (ii) Examine current water conservation efforts and the need for regional enhancements;
    - (iii) Assess well failures and programs for groundwater conservation;
    - (iv) Develop comprehensive public education and outreach programs;
    - (v) Recommend short and long term planning solutions for responding to future drought conditions; and
    - (vi) Suggest mechanisms to address its findings, if necessary.
- (2) Technical Advisory Committee on Water Supply Infrastructure.
- (a) Composition. The Technical Advisory Committee on Water Supply Infrastructure shall be comprised of members appointed by the Governor to represent State and local government agencies involved in water supply and resource management, technical experts with planning, design and engineering expertise and other individuals with relevant interest or experience.
  - (b) Duties. The Technical Advisory Committee on Water Supply Infrastructure shall perform the following duties:
    - (i) Study the impact of infrastructure deficiencies on water conservation;
    - (ii) Recommend and prioritize infrastructure improvements to minimize water loss;
    - (iii) Identify all possible funding sources for infrastructure improvements; and
    - (iv) Suggest statutory or regulatory amendments to address its findings, if necessary.

- C. Staffing. Staff support for the Advisory Committees will be provided by the Water Management Administration of the Maryland Department of the Environment.
- D. Reports. The Advisory Committees will report on a quarterly basis to the Secretary of the Environment.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF JANUARY 25, 2000**

01.01.2000.02

Declaration of Storm Emergency

WHEREAS, Having been advised that a severe storm, with blinding driving conditions and high winds currently impacting the State of Maryland, is a threat to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, That this hazard is anticipated to continue and threaten lives and property throughout the State and requires the activation of the Maryland National Guard in to State duty.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ARTICLE 16A, ARTICLE 41, AND ARTICLE 65 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, HEREBY DECLARE THAT A STATE OF EMERGENCY EXISTS AND I ORDER THE MARYLAND NATIONAL GUARD TO ACTIVE STATE SERVICE TO SUPPORT REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF JANUARY 27, 2000**

01.01.2000.03

Termination of State of Emergency Due to Winter Storm

WHEREAS, I, Parris N. Glendening, Governor of the State of Maryland, having declared a state of emergency on the 25th day of January due to the threat to the public health and safety caused by the winter storm; and

WHEREAS, The emergency conditions caused by the winter storm requiring the Maryland National Guard to be ordered into active State service to support requests for assistance from the State Emergency Operations Center having been dealt with and no longer existing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM

THAT THE STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND IS  
HEREBY TERMINATED.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF JANUARY 27, 2000**

01.01.2000.04

Statewide Forensic Sciences Task Force

WHEREAS, In recognition of the need to enhance the quality of forensic services within the State in order to provide law enforcement with the best forensic services technology available to detect and prosecute criminals;

WHEREAS, There is a need for coordinated efforts to enhance laboratory accreditation, training and equipment among the crime laboratories in the State; and

WHEREAS, Future federal funding to crime laboratories may require the establishment of a statewide "Master Plan" for forensic sciences.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. Establishment. There is a Forensic Sciences Task Force.
- B. Membership and Procedures. The Task Force shall consist of up to 15 members, including:
  - (1) The Secretary of the Department of State Police, or the Secretary's designee, who shall serve as Chair of the Task Force;
  - (2) The Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee;
  - (3) A member of the Senate designated by the President of the Senate;
  - (4) A member of the House of Delegates designated by the Speaker of the House;
  - (5) A representative designated by each of the following crime laboratories:
    - (a) The Department of State Police Crime Laboratory;
    - (b) The Crime Laboratory of the State Medical Examiner's Office;
    - (c) The Baltimore City Crime Laboratory;
    - (d) The Anne Arundel County Crime Laboratory;
    - (e) The Baltimore County Crime Laboratory;

- (f) The Montgomery County Crime Laboratory;
  - (g) The Prince George's County Crime Laboratory;
  - (h) The City of Hagerstown Crime Laboratory; and
  - (i) The Ocean City Crime Laboratory; and
- (6) Up to two public members with relevant interest, knowledge or experience appointed by the Governor.
- C. The Task Force shall meet at times determined by the members of the Task Force.
- D. Duties of the Task Force. The Task Force will make recommendations to the Secretary of the State Police on:
- (1) Establishment of cooperative working procedures among all crime laboratories within the State;
  - (2) Development of a statewide master plan to better coordinate statewide services;
  - (3) Development of staff training guidelines;
  - (4) New equipment and technology available to crime laboratories;
  - (5) The quality of existing forensic services;
  - (6) Methods to offer technical advice to crime labs seeking accreditation; and
  - (7) Potential sources of federal funding.
- E. The members of the Task Force may not receive any compensation for their services, but may receive reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations and as provided in the State budget.
- F. The Department of State Police shall provide lead staff support to the Task Force.
- G. Report. The Task Force shall submit a final report to the Governor's office and the General Assembly on or before September 30, 2001.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF FEBRUARY 3, 2000**

01.01.2000.05

Special Commission on State Parks

(Amends 01.01.1999.06)

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland is fortunate to have a diverse system of State parks, providing recreational and cultural opportunities for over 10 million visitors a year;

WHEREAS, Maryland State Parks are striving to move into the next century with a new vision of service for the citizens of Maryland;

WHEREAS, It is important to address the fiscal well being of Maryland's park system for the benefit of future generations;

WHEREAS, It is in the interests of Maryland citizens that State parks continue to balance the needs of conservation with recreation and cultural enrichment; and

WHEREAS, The Year 2000 has been declared the Year of Maryland State Parks.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING ORDER, AMENDING 01.01.1999.06, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. There is a Special Commission for Maryland State Parks.
- B. The Commission shall consist of no more than 15 members, including:
  - (1) One member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
  - (2) One member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
  - (3) Up to 13 members appointed by the Governor, including:
    - (a) A representative of the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development;
    - (b) A representative of the Outdoor Caucus of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources;
    - (c) A representative of The National Park Service; and
    - (d) Members representing park user and support groups, environmental organizations, outdoor recreation businesses, county tourism offices, and other interests and organizations related to park development and promotion.

- C. The Governor shall designate a Chairperson from among the members of the Commission.
- D. The Governor may remove any member of the Commission for any cause adversely affecting the member's ability or willingness to perform the member's duties.
- E. In the event of a vacancy, the Governor shall appoint a successor.
- F. Scope. The Commission is charged with the following duties:
  - (1) Assessing and identifying the primary and secondary benefits of Maryland's State Parks, including economic impacts, outdoor adventures and eco-tourism, and the proper balance of recreation and resource management;
  - (2) Recommending general and specific program priorities to maximize those benefits;
  - (3) Recommending guidelines and methods for addressing fiscal stability for the State park system, including developing ideas for additional business and community support; and
  - (4) After considering the conclusions on the items listed above, making additional recommendations for marketing and for Year 2000 activities.
- G. Principal staff support for the Commission shall be provided by the State Forest and Park Service of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.
- H. Procedures.
  - (1) The Commission shall meet at least quarterly at locations to be determined.
  - (2) A majority of members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business.
  - (3) The Commission may adopt other procedures necessary to ensure the orderly transaction of business.
  - (4) The Commission shall submit to the Governor its report on the items listed in Section F of this Order on or before April 15, 2000.
- I. The members of the Commission may not receive any compensation for their services. Members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of duties, in accordance with the Standard State Travel Regulations and as provided in the State budget.
- J. This Executive Order shall terminate and be of no effect after [April 15, 2000] JUNE 30, 2000.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF FEBRUARY 21, 2000**

01.01.2000.06

State Advisory Council on Hunger

(Rescinds Executive Order 01.01.1996.09)

WHEREAS, There are over 500,000 Marylanders who are either hungry or at risk of hunger every year;

WHEREAS, There is a need to ensure that Maryland has an adequate safety net for hungry children and adults;

WHEREAS, Improved information sharing and coordination among public and private sector agencies will ensure that Maryland's food, nutrition and anti-hunger services, as well as available Federal food resources are effectively utilized and accessible to those persons who are most in need; and

WHEREAS, Enhanced and strengthened partnerships among government agencies, private industry, nonprofit organizations, educational institutions and poor Marylanders would maximize resources to serve the needy and raise awareness about hunger issues in the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY RESCIND EXECUTIVE ORDER 01.01.1996.06 AND PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

- A. Established. There is a State Advisory Council on Hunger.
- B. Membership and Procedures.
  - (1) The Council shall be comprised of up to 17 members with relevant interest or experience who are appointed by the Governor. To the extent possible, the membership shall include representation from each of the major geographic regions of the State, and may reflect particular emphasis on those communities with the greatest need or vulnerable populations. The membership shall also include the following:
    - (a) A representative of the Secretary of the Department of Human Resources;
    - (b) A representative of the Advisory Board of the Shelter, Nutrition and Service Program for Homeless Individuals and Families;
    - (c) Members selected from nominations made by interested service organizations in the State, including but not limited to:
      - (i) The Center for Poverty Solutions;

- (ii) The Maryland Food Bank;
    - (iii) The Maryland Coalition to End Hunger; and
    - (iv) The Mid-Atlantic Food Dealers Association.
  - (d) Other individuals with relevant interest or special knowledge as determined by the Governor.
- (2) Members may serve up to 2 consecutive three-year terms, such terms to be staggered from initial appointment. In the event of a vacancy, the Governor shall appoint a successor to serve the remainder of the unexpired term.
  - (3) From among the members of the Council, the Governor shall designate a Chairperson. The Governor has the discretion to delegate to the Council the naming of a Chair by election.
  - (4) Members serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Governor may remove any member of the Council for any cause adversely affecting the member's ability or willingness to perform their duties.
  - (5) A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business. The Council may adopt any other procedures necessary to ensure the orderly transaction of business.
  - (6) The Council shall establish subcommittees as needed to execute its responsibilities.
  - (7) The members of the Council may not receive any compensation for their services. The public members may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations, and as provided in the State budget.
- C. Duties. The Council shall have the following duties:
- (1) Review and analyze the need for, and availability of, resources to address the needs of hungry Marylanders statewide;
  - (2) Make program, policy and budget recommendations to appropriate State agencies to improve access to healthy food, and to ensure an adequate hunger safety net;
  - (3) Make recommendations to the appropriate State agencies and organizations as to the allocation of funds to areas of the State with consideration to unmet needs, proximity of services and other relevant factors;
  - (4) Undertake activities which improve the understanding and awareness of hunger issues by elected officials, government agencies and the public; and

- (5) The Department of Human Resources shall provide the Council with necessary staff and resources as feasible.

D. Meetings and Reports.

- (1) The Council shall determine the times and places of its meetings and will meet not less than four times annually.
- (2) The Council shall submit an annual report on its activities to the Governor.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF MARCH 20, 2000**

01.01.2000.07

Deployment of Maryland National Guard Resources to Baltimore County

WHEREAS, I, Parris N. Glendening, Governor of the State of Maryland, having been advised and informed by the Maryland Emergency Management Agency of a hostage situation of serious magnitude in Baltimore County impacting public safety;

WHEREAS, This disruption continues and threatens lives and property in Baltimore County and requires calling the Maryland National Guard into limited State activation; and

WHEREAS, The affected State agency and local jurisdiction need State assistance to protect the lives and health of its citizens. Resources requested through the Maryland Emergency Management Agency are considered personnel and equipment needed for this specific hostage situation.

NOW THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ARTICLE 16A AND ARTICLE 41 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THAT A STATE OF EMERGENCY EXISTS IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF MARCH 22, 2000**

01.01.2000.08

Recision of Executive Order 01.01.2000.07

WHEREAS, I, Parris N. Glendening, Governor of the State of Maryland, having been advised and informed by the Maryland Emergency Management Agency that the serious hostage situation in Baltimore County has been resolved;

WHEREAS, This situation no longer threatens lives and property in Baltimore

County nor requires the services of the Maryland National Guard; and

WHEREAS, State assistance and resources in protecting the lives and health of its citizens are no longer required for this specific hostage incident.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ARTICLE 16A AND ARTICLE 41 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THAT A STATE OF EMERGENCY NO LONGER EXISTS IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND AND I HEREBY RESCIND EXECUTIVE ORDER 01.01.2000.07.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF APRIL 3, 2000**

01.01.2000.09

Proclaiming an Extended Session of the Maryland General Assembly

WHEREAS, I, Parris N. Glendening, Governor of the State of Maryland, being advised that the Budget Bill has not been finally acted upon by the General Assembly seven days before the expiration of the 2000 regular Session of the General Assembly;

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 52 (10) of the Maryland Constitution provides that under these circumstances the Governor shall issue a proclamation extending the Session for a period as may, in the Governor's judgment, be necessary to allow for the passage of the Budget Bill; and

WHEREAS, Other matters may not be considered during such extended Session except a provision for the cost thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THAT THE 2000 REGULAR SESSION OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS HEREBY EXTENDED, COMMENCING AT MIDNIGHT ON MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2000, IN THE STATE CAPITAL IN THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PASSING THE STATE BUDGET BILL. THIS EXTENSION MAY NOT EXCEED TEN DAYS, OR SUCH OTHER PERIOD AS SPECIFIED BY AMENDMENT TO THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF JUNE 7, 2000**

01.01.2000.10

Commutation of Sentence of Death

WHEREAS, Eugene Sherman Colvin–El, Grantee, was convicted of first degree murder on August 19, 1981 for the death of Mrs. Lena Buckman and was sentenced to death on June 3, 1992 in the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County; and

WHEREAS, Grantee presented a petition for clemency on May 15, 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE, Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maryland, including but not limited to, Section 7–601 of the Correctional Services Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND, HEREBY COMMUTE EUGENE SHERMAN COLVIN–EL’S SENTENCE OF DEATH TO A SENTENCE OF LIFE IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF PAROLE.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF JUNE 20, 2000**

01.01.2000.11

Governor’s Council On The Status of Girls

WHEREAS, The November 1999 report by the Steering Committee of the Girls to Women Initiative entitled: “Girls to Women: Setting the Agenda for the 21st Century”, identified problems and gaps in service for girls in the areas of health, safety, image, education, economics and family;

WHEREAS, Work is needed to identify the persistent forces, conditions and societal patterns that are obstructing the growth and development of today’s girls so that appropriate policy and program changes may be implemented;

WHEREAS, There is no single organization within State government whose mission is to serve the comprehensive interests and concerns of Maryland’s girls;

WHEREAS, Maryland has long been a leader in gender issues and has an outstanding reputation for its exceptional women so it is fitting the State should take the lead; and

WHEREAS, The findings incorporated in the report, “Girls to Women: Setting the Agenda for the 21st Century,” also suggest that the State of Maryland establish a Governor’s Council On The Status of Girls within the Maryland Commission for Women to study and report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the status of girls.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE

CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF MARYLAND, PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

A. Established. There is a Governor's Council On The Status of Girls within the Maryland Commission For Women.

B. Membership and Procedures.

(1) The Council shall consist of up to 17 members appointed by the Governor to include:

(a) A representative of the Maryland Department of Human Resources;

(b) A representative of the Maryland State Department of Education;

(c) A representative of the Governor's Office for Children, Youth and Families;

(d) Up to 3 additional representatives of State agencies involved in policy, programs or procedures affecting girls;

(e) Up to 3 representatives of the Maryland Commission for Women;

(f) 2 youth representatives of middle and high school age; and

(g) Up to 6 members with special interest or knowledge in issues affecting girls, including but not limited to, representatives of organizations such as the Girl Scouts, Inc. and the American Association of University Women.

(2) Representatives named under B(1)(a) through (e) shall be designated by the respective agency heads with the concurrence of the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Youth representatives appointed under B(1)(f) shall serve 1-year terms. Members appointed under B(1)(g) shall serve staggered 3 year terms, and may serve up to 2 consecutive terms. In the event of a vacancy, the Governor shall appoint a successor for the remainder of the unexpired term.

(3) The Governor shall designate a Chair or Co-Chairs from among the members of the Council.

(4) The Governor may remove any member of the Council for any cause adversely affecting the member's ability or willingness to perform his or her duties.

(5) A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business. The Council may adopt any other procedures necessary to ensure the orderly transaction of business.

- (6) The members of the Council may not receive any compensation for their services. Members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations, and as provided in the State budget.
  - (7) The Council shall determine the times and places of its meetings and shall meet not less than 6 times annually.
  - (8) The Council shall establish subcommittees as needed to execute its responsibilities.
- C. Duties. The Council shall:
- (1) Identify the forces, conditions and societal patterns that obstruct the growth and development of girls in Maryland;
  - (2) Review and analyze the need for, and availability of, resources to address the needs of girls;
  - (3) Provide the leadership needed to recommend legislative, policy and procedural changes that would help Maryland's girls realize their full potential, now and in the future;
  - (4) Make recommendations to the appropriate State agencies to implement legislation, policies and procedural changes; and
  - (5) Establish a reporting system to measure the extent to which State laws and policies are carried out in the best interest of Maryland's girls.
- D. Staff Support. The Department of Human Resources shall provide the Council with necessary staff and resources.
- E. Reports. The Council shall submit an annual report on its activities with recommendations to the Governor by January of each year.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF JULY 7, 2000**

01.01.2000.12

Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee and Oil Spill Prevention  
Advisory Committee

WHEREAS, On April 7, 2000, the State was notified that a leaking pipeline at the PEPCO Chalk Point Generating Station had discharged oil into a tidal marsh on Swanson Creek, a tributary of the Patuxent River;

WHEREAS, This oil has since migrated into the Patuxent River, its tributaries, marshes and beaches, causing immediate damage to the natural resources in

and around the Patuxent River, and may have longstanding negative effects on the Patuxent River ecosystem;

WHEREAS, The Patuxent River provides many valuable ecological, recreational and economic services to the environment and citizens of Maryland;

WHEREAS, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's Counties (the affected counties) are most affected by the damage caused by the spill;

WHEREAS, Under state and federal law, the Departments of Natural Resources and the Environment, as co-trustees of Maryland's natural resources, together with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Department of the Interior, are responsible for developing and implementing a natural resources damage assessment plan and restoration/mitigation plan in response to the spill;

WHEREAS, Effective coordination and communication among the involved government agencies, local elected officials and citizens of the affected counties, as well as meaningful input from PEPCO, are all critical to the success of continued cleanup, damage assessment, restoration and mitigation efforts; and

WHEREAS, This incident dramatically illustrates the fragile nature of estuaries, the unique vulnerability of the Chesapeake Bay, and the special need for Maryland to evaluate the adequacy and effectiveness of the programs, standards and resources devoted to oil spill prevention and response.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

A. Established. Two Advisory Committees are established to assist the State in effecting a coordinated cleanup and mitigation of the oil spill from the pipeline at the Chalk Point Power Plant, and to make recommendations for improving oil transport safety and spill response. They are:

- (1) Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee; and
- (2) Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee.

B. Membership, Duties and Operation. The Advisory Committees shall be structured and directed in the following manner:

- (1) Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee.
  - (a) Composition. The Advisory Committee shall be comprised of members appointed by the Governor to represent government, environmental interest organizations, the scientific community, business, community associations, watermen, fishermen, boaters and the general public. The Governor shall name a Chair and Vice Chair to serve at his pleasure.

- (b) Duties. The Advisory Committee shall perform the following duties:
    - (i) Hold local meetings to inform the public about the status of the cleanup and restoration projects; help educate the public on the benefits and limitations of cleanup and restoration methods; and obtain citizen input about steps which should be considered to restore natural resources;
    - (ii) Assist the Departments of Natural Resources and the Environment in the development of the natural resources damage assessment plan and the restoration/mitigation plan;
    - (iii) Advise the Departments of Natural Resources and the Environment regarding issues such as priorities for cleanup and the criteria for the completion of the cleanup of the oil spill; and
    - (iv) Periodically provide reports at the request of the Governor or the Departments of Natural Resources and the Environment.
    - (v) The Advisory Committee shall not become involved in matters related to private claims relating to damage from the oil spill.
    - (vi) The Advisory Committee may seek input from PEPCO and the appropriate Federal agencies on issues under its consideration.
    - (vii) The Advisory Committee may provide comments and suggestions on future preventative measures as part of its advice to the Departments of Natural Resources and the Environment.
  - (c) Staffing. Staff support for the Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee will be provided by the Departments of Natural Resources and the Environment.
  - (d) Duration. The Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee shall operate through, and make a final report by June 30, 2002, unless otherwise extended by subsequent Executive Order.
- (2) Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee.
- (a) Composition. The Advisory Committee shall be comprised of members appointed by the Governor to represent government, environmental interest organizations, the oil transport and

utility industries, emergency response organizations, the scientific community; and the general public. The Governor shall name a Chair and Vice Chair to serve at his pleasure.

- (b) Duties. The Advisory Committee shall perform the following duties:
  - (i) Review and analyze the adequacy of federal policy, laws and regulation, related implementing legislation and administrative actions regarding oil transport and oil spill response;
  - (ii) Assess the adequacy of state laws and regulation addressing oil transport and oil spill response for protecting the Chesapeake Bay and the State's other natural resources;
  - (iii) Assess the adequacy of federal, state and local government resources and plans, and private contractor support available to prevent and respond to oil spills;
  - (iv) Review and analyze the preparedness of federal, state and local government agencies, private businesses, regional organizations and the oil industry to respond to oil spills;
  - (v) Recommend options to the Governor for addressing issues, concerns or problems surfacing through the review process, prioritizing sensitive areas of risk which are targets for immediate attention;
  - (vi) The Advisory Committee should identify and prioritize sensitive areas of risk which are targets for immediate improvement;
  - (vii) The Advisory Committee shall not become involved in matters related to private claims arising out of damages incurred from oil spills; and
  - (viii) The Advisory Committee may seek input from appropriate state and federal agencies, officials or experts on issues under its consideration.
- (c) Staffing. Staff support for the Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee will be provided by the Department of the Environment and the Maryland Public Service Commission.
- (d) Duration. The Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee shall operate through, and make a final report by December 31, 2000, unless otherwise extended by subsequent Order.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF JULY 26, 2000**

01.01.2000.13

Community Access Steering Committee

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland wishes to reaffirm its long standing commitment to the community integration principles which stand at the core of the Americans with Disabilities Act;

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland has a 25–year history of expanding the programs, finances and partnerships needed to assist individuals with disabilities as they seek to more fully participate in community life;

WHEREAS, The ongoing partnership between individuals with disabilities, their families, concerned advocates and Maryland State government leaders has resulted in important new strides to help individuals with disabilities transition successfully from institutional to community based residential and employment settings, and to access appropriate service and support programs in the community;

WHEREAS, State agencies have jointly implemented numerous Medicaid waivers which have assisted persons with disabilities in the movement from institutional to community settings;

WHEREAS, The Governor’s Office for Individuals With Disabilities convened four workgroups in 1999 which presented additional recommendations for enhancing the State’s community integration efforts;

WHEREAS, The State recognizes the importance of developing a comprehensive, planned and fiscally responsible approach to expanding community access opportunities for a broad spectrum of individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, The State’s prior history of innovative and collaborative efforts provide Maryland with a firm foundation to meet the challenges and opportunities stemming from the United States Supreme Court’s decision in Olmstead v. L.C.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

A. Establishment.

- (1) There is a Community Access Steering Committee established under the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.
- (2) The work of the Committee shall be supported by four task forces focusing respectively on Developmental Disabilities Community Access; Mental Hygiene Community Access; Medicaid Community Access; and Systems Integration. These task forces shall be

assembled by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, pursuant to the authority granted under Section 2–104 of the Health – General Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

B. Membership.

- (1) The Committee shall be comprised of the following members:
  - (a) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or a designee, who shall serve as Committee Co–Chair;
  - (b) The Director of the Governor’s Office for Individuals with Disabilities or a designee, who shall serve as Committee Co–Chair;
  - (c) The Secretary of Budget and Management or a designee;
  - (d) A representative of the Governor’s Office, designated by the Governor;
  - (e) The Chairpersons of the four supporting task forces assembled under paragraph A(2) of this Executive Order; and
  - (f) Up to five additional members appointed by the Governor, who have relevant interest or expertise, including consumers.
- (2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve at his pleasure. All other members shall serve so long as they hold the office or designation which qualifies them for service on the Committee.

C. Duties.

- (1) The Community Access Steering Committee shall be responsible for the following activities:
  - (a) Identify “effective practices” and other proven strategies which have allowed persons with disabilities to expand their community options;
  - (b) Examine the proposed funding and programmatic proposals of each task force and formulate an integrated set of final recommendations for consideration by state and local authorities; and
  - (c) Make recommendations regarding initiatives which would enhance the State’s efforts to accelerate placement of persons with disabilities in more integrated, community–based settings.

- (2) The task forces shall assist and take direction from the Steering Committee in completing the activities described under paragraph C(1). The task forces should recommend approaches to improve identification and evaluation of candidates for community-based services, and to expand community access opportunities for persons with co-occurring disorders.
  - (3) In completing the described activities, all efforts shall be made by the Committee and its task forces to actively involve and promote partnerships among persons with disabilities, their families and the range of public and private organizations which employ, support or otherwise advocate for such individuals.
  - (4) Recommendations of the Committee or its task forces shall be prioritized so as to address, in the following order, the community integration needs of: persons in State operated facilities; persons in private facilities receiving governmental assistance; and persons who might be placed in such facilities.
- D. Staffing. The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall provide primary staff support to the Committee and its task forces. The Department shall seek additional and expert staff support as appropriate from the Maryland Health Care Commission, the Maryland Insurance Administration and other involved agencies as needed.
- E. Procedures.
- (1) The Committee and its task forces shall meet at the times and places to be determined by the members.
  - (2) A majority of members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business before the Committee or its task forces.
  - (3) Members of the Committee and its task forces may not receive any compensation for services, but may receive reimbursement for reasonable travel expenses in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations.
- F. Reports. The Committee shall submit an interim report with recommendations to the Governor by November 1, 2000, and a final report complete with all findings and recommendations to the Governor on or before June 1, 2001.
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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF AUGUST 1, 2000**

01.01.2000.14

Task Force on Gasoline Zone Pricing

WHEREAS, The recent rise in gasoline prices has put a financial strain on many citizens in Maryland;

WHEREAS, Zone pricing (a practice where the companies charge a different wholesale price for gasoline based on numerous geographical zones) is an increasing practice in Maryland;

WHEREAS, There is indication that zone pricing may be a significant factor in the rising price of gasoline;

WHEREAS, Zone pricing results in a wide price disparity of gasoline around the State;

WHEREAS, This disparity in wholesale and retail prices cannot readily be explained by consistent cost factors;

WHEREAS, Public confidence in fair pricing practices is essential; and

WHEREAS, Careful study is necessary to determine what appropriate action (if any) is warranted.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

A. Establishment. There is a Task Force on Gasoline Zone Pricing in Maryland.

B. Membership.

(1) The Task Force shall consist of up to nine members, including:

- (a) The Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee;
- (b) A member of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate;
- (c) A member of the House of Delegates appointed by the Speaker of the House; and
- (d) Six members appointed by the Governor to serve at his pleasure, including:
  - (i) A person with expertise in economics;
  - (ii) A representative of the oil industry;

- (iii) A representative of WMDA Service Station and Automotive Repair Association; and
  - (iv) Up to three public members with relevant interest, knowledge or experience, including a consumer group representative.
- (2) The Governor shall designate a Chair from among the members of the Task Force.
- C. The Task Force shall meet at times determined by the members of the Task Force.
- D. Duties of the Task Force. The Task Force shall issue a report on zone pricing in Maryland. The report shall cover the following areas as they relate to zone pricing:
  - (1) Economic rationale for the existence and practices of zone pricing; and
  - (2) Recommendation of appropriate action (if any) to be taken by the State of Maryland.
- E. The members of the Task Force may not receive any compensation for their services, but may receive reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations and as provided in the State budget.
- F. The Maryland Energy Administration and the Department of Business and Economic Development shall provide staff support to the Task Force.
- G. Report. The Task Force shall submit a final report to the Governor's Office and the General Assembly on or before July 31, 2001.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF AUGUST 3, 2000**

01.01.2000.15

Community Access Steering Committee

(Amends 01.01.2000.13)

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland created the Community Access Steering Committee by Executive Order 01.01.2000.13 on July 26, 2000, to develop a comprehensive plan to expand community access opportunities for a broad spectrum of individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, It is in the interest of the Committee that minor amendments be made to the Executive Order to re-designate the co-chairs of the Committee and to increase the membership of the Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE

OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

A. Establishment.

- (1) There is a Community Access Steering Committee established under the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.
- (2) The work of the Committee shall be supported by four task forces focusing respectively on Developmental Disabilities Community Access; Mental Hygiene Community Access; Medicaid Community Access; and Systems Integration. These task forces shall be assembled by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, pursuant to the authority granted under Section 2-104 of the Health – General Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

B. Membership.

- (1) The Committee shall be comprised of the following members:
  - (a) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or a designee, who shall serve as Committee Co-Chair;
  - (b) The Director of the Governor's Office for Individuals with Disabilities or a designee[, who shall serve as Committee Co-Chair];
  - (c) The Secretary of Budget and Management or a designee;
  - (d) A representative of the Governor's Office, designated by the Governor, WHO SHALL SERVE AS COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR;
  - (e) The Chairpersons of the four supporting task forces assembled under paragraph A(2) of this Executive Order; and,
  - (f) Up to [five] SIX additional members appointed by the Governor, who have relevant interest or expertise, including consumers.

(2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve at his pleasure. All other members shall serve so long as they hold the office or designation which qualifies them for service on the Committee.

C. Duties.

- (1) The Community Access Steering Committee shall be responsible for the following activities:
  - (a) Identify "effective practices" and other proven strategies which have allowed persons with disabilities to expand their community options;

- (b) Examine the proposed funding and programmatic proposals of each task force and formulate an integrated set of final recommendations for consideration by State and local authorities; and
    - (c) Make recommendations regarding initiatives which would enhance the State's efforts to accelerate placement of persons with disabilities in more integrated, community-based settings.
  - (2) The task forces shall assist and take direction from the Steering Committee in completing the activities described under paragraph C (1). The task forces should recommend approaches to improve identification and evaluation of candidates for community-based services, and to expand community access opportunities for persons with co-occurring disorders.
  - (3) In completing the described activities, all efforts shall be made by the Committee and its task forces to actively involve and promote partnerships among persons with disabilities, their families and the range of public and private organizations which employ, support or otherwise advocate for such individuals.
  - (4) Recommendations of the Committee or its task forces shall be prioritized so as to address, in the following order, the community integration needs of: persons in State operated facilities; persons in private facilities receiving governmental assistance; and persons who might be placed in such facilities.
- D. Staffing. The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall provide primary staff support to the Committee and its task forces. The Department shall seek additional and expert staff support as appropriate from the Maryland Health Care Commission, the Maryland Insurance Administration and other involved agencies as needed.
- E. Procedures.
- (1) The Committee and its task forces shall meet at the times and places to be determined by the members.
  - (2) A majority of members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business before the Committee or its task forces.
  - (3) Members of the Committee and its task forces may not receive any compensation for services, but may receive reimbursement for reasonable travel expenses in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations.
- F. Reports. The Committee shall submit an interim report with recommendations to the Governor by November 1, 2000, and a final report complete with all findings and recommendations to the Governor on or before June 1, 2001.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2000**

01.01.2000.16

Wetlands Restoration Policy for State Owned Property and State Programs

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland has identified wetlands as critical to buffering streams by filtering run-off, providing habitat for birds, fish and other animals, recharging groundwater and holding floodwaters;

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland, recognizing its significant historical wetlands loss, has adopted a goal of restoring 60,000 acres of wetlands within Maryland;

WHEREAS, The Wetlands Restoration Steering Committee, after conducting an analysis that showed lands owned by the State of Maryland present a significant opportunity for wetlands restoration, has recommended a policy directing State agencies to prioritize wetlands restoration;

WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay Program Executive Council is considering a wetlands restoration goal and has adopted specific goals related to stemming losses of wetlands; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland, as a land holder, owns properties that are appropriate for wetlands restoration and, as a government, implements programs that may affect land use, endeavors to demonstrate the value and benefits of wetlands restoration projects, and manage its programs in a manner that fosters wetlands restoration projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. Purpose. In support of the State's wetlands restoration goal of 60,000 acres, this Executive Order establishes the Wetlands Restoration Policy for State owned lands and State managed programs as defined in this Executive Order.
- B. The Wetlands Restoration Policy to be implemented by State agencies provides that:
  - (1) State agencies shall give priority to restoring wetlands on property owned by the State of Maryland;
  - (2) State agencies shall give priority to managing programs and policies, where appropriate, in a manner that enhances the potential for wetlands restoration projects;

- (3) For the purposes of this policy, restoring wetlands will include re-establishing former wetland sites to cause wetland conditions to return and persist and will include enhancement of wetlands that results in long-term sustainable improvement to wetland functions; and
- (4) State agencies will continue to conduct their operations in a manner which maximizes opportunities to preserve existing wetlands.

C. Scope and Implementation of Policy.

- (1) The State agencies identified herein that operate real property titled to the State of Maryland shall:
  - (a) Make a voluntary pledge by July 1, 2001, to restore a certain number of wetlands within a certain time frame. Each agency's voluntary pledge shall be dependent on the suitability of the property the agency operates for wetlands restoration, funding and other resource considerations;
  - (b) Consult with the Department of the Environment, working in close cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture, to determine the extent of each agency's voluntary pledge and to evaluate, plan and implement potential wetlands restoration projects, to the extent feasible; and
  - (c) Include, in its Managing Maryland for Results Plan, annual goals and objectives for developing its voluntary pledge and implementing its pledge commitment for wetlands restoration.
- (2) The following agencies that operate real property titled to the State of Maryland are subject to Section C of this Executive Order:
  - (a) Baltimore City Community College;
  - (b) Department of Agriculture;
  - (c) Department of General Services;
  - (d) Department of Health and Mental Hygiene;
  - (e) Department of Housing and Community Development;
  - (f) Department of Juvenile Justice;
  - (g) Department of Natural Resources;
  - (h) Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services;
  - (i) Department of Transportation;
  - (j) Food Center Authority;

- (k) Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund;
  - (l) Maryland Schools for the Deaf;
  - (m) Maryland Public Broadcasting;
  - (n) Maryland State Police;
  - (o) Maryland Veterans' Commission;
  - (p) Military Department;
  - (q) Morgan State University;
  - (r) St. Mary's College of Maryland;
  - (s) State Use Industries;
  - (t) University System of Maryland; and
  - (u) Veterans' Home Commission.
- (3) State agencies that implement programs that affect land use shall:
- (a) Identify programs that have the potential to affect land use by July 1, 2001. Once identified, each agency shall review that program to identify any changes that may be made to enhance the potential for wetlands restoration, and if so identified, will establish a time frame within which to implement those changes;
  - (b) Consult with the Department of the Environment, working in close cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture, for technical and other assistance to identify, evaluate, plan and implement changes to programs to enhance the potential for wetlands restoration projects, to the extent feasible; and
  - (c) Determine whether changes can be made to those programs and policies in a manner that enhances the potential for wetlands restoration projects and wetlands preservation. Such changes may include providing a priority within grant programs if a proposal includes a wetlands restoration project or preserves wetlands, providing priority to acquisition of properties with greater potential for wetlands restoration projects or wetlands preservation, and education or outreach initiatives.
- D. Procedures for annual reporting and wetlands restoration project completion reports. Each agency shall:
- (1) Report annually, through its Managing Maryland for Results plan, progress toward wetlands restoration projects as described in this Executive Order; and

- (2) Report each completion of a wetlands restoration project upon completion of that project to the Maryland Department of the Environment's voluntary reporting system.
- E. This Executive Order is not intended to and may not be construed to confer any right, privilege or status on any private party cognizable by a court in any proceeding.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2000**

01.01.2000.17

Community Access Steering Committee

(Amends 01.01.2000.15)

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland created the Community Access Steering Committee by Executive Order 01.01.2000.13, as amended, to develop a comprehensive plan to expand community access opportunities for a broad spectrum of individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Certain amendments are needed to clarify provisions concerning the membership structure and chairmanship of the Steering Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

A. Establishment.

- (1) There is a Community Access Steering Committee established under the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.
- (2) The work of the Committee shall be supported by four task forces focusing respectively on Developmental Disabilities Community Access; Mental Hygiene Community Access; Medicaid Community Access; and Systems Integration. These task forces shall be assembled by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, pursuant to the authority granted under Section 2-104 of the Health – General Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

B. Membership.

- (1) The Committee shall be comprised of the following members:
  - (a) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or a designee, who shall serve as Committee Co-Chair;

- (b) The Director of the Governor's Office for Individuals with Disabilities or a designee, WHO SHALL SERVE AS COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR;
  - (c) The Secretary of Budget and Management or a designee;
  - (d) A representative of the Governor's Office, designated by the Governor[, who shall serve as Committee Co-Chair];
  - (e) The Chairpersons of the four supporting task forces assembled under paragraph A(2) of this Executive Order, PROVIDING THAT ONE OR MORE SUCH PERSONS DO NOT OTHERWISE HOLD MEMBERSHIP ON THE COMMITTEE IN ANOTHER CATEGORY SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION; and
  - (f) Up to [five] SIX additional members appointed by the Governor, who have relevant interest or expertise, including consumers.
- (2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve at his pleasure. All other members shall serve so long as they hold the office or designation which qualifies them for service on the Committee.

C. Duties.

- (1) The Community Access Steering Committee shall be responsible for the following activities:
- (a) Identify "effective practices" and other proven strategies which have allowed persons with disabilities to expand their community options;
  - (b) Examine the proposed funding and programmatic proposals of each task force and formulate an integrated set of final recommendations for consideration by State and local authorities; and
  - (c) Make recommendations regarding initiatives which would enhance the State's efforts to accelerate placement of persons with disabilities in more integrated, community-based settings.
- (2) The task forces shall assist and take direction from the Steering Committee in completing the activities described under paragraph C (1). The task forces should recommend approaches to improve identification and evaluation of candidates for community-based services, and to expand community access opportunities for persons with co-occurring disorders.

- (3) In completing the described activities, all efforts shall be made by the Committee and its task forces to actively involve and promote partnerships among persons with disabilities, their families and the range of public and private organizations which employ, support or otherwise advocate for such individuals.
  - (4) Recommendations of the Committee or its task forces shall be prioritized so as to address, in the following order, the community integration needs of: persons in State operated facilities; persons in private facilities receiving governmental assistance; and persons who might be placed in such facilities.
- D. Staffing. The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall provide primary staff support to the Committee and its task forces. The Department shall seek additional and expert staff support as appropriate from the Maryland Health Care Commission, the Maryland Insurance Administration and other involved agencies as needed.
- E. Procedures.
- (1) The Committee and its task forces shall meet at the times and places to be determined by the members.
  - (2) A majority of members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business before the Committee or its task forces.
  - (3) Members of the Committee and its task forces may not receive any compensation for services, but may receive reimbursement for reasonable travel expenses in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations.
- F. Reports. The Committee shall submit an interim report with recommendations to the Governor by November 1, 2000, and a final report complete with all findings and recommendations to the Governor on or before June 1, 2001.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2000**

01.01.2000.18

Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of Community-Based Homes for Children

WHEREAS, The State is committed to preserving the use of community-based homes for children;

WHEREAS, Community-based homes offer children care in the least restrictive, most family-like setting available;

WHEREAS, State agencies responsible for the licensing and monitoring of community-based homes for children must work in partnership with each other

to provide high quality, safe and appropriate services; and

WHEREAS, A thorough evaluation of Maryland's licensing and monitoring of community-based homes for children is needed to address community concerns and ensure the continued operation and development of successful community-based programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. Established. There is a Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of Community-Based Homes for Children.
- B. Membership and Procedures.
  - (1) The Task Force shall consist of 15 members, including:
    - (a) The Special Secretary of the Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families, who shall serve as Co-Chair;
    - (b) The Director of the Office of Health Care Quality in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, who shall serve as Co-Chair;
    - (c) The Secretary of the Department of Human Resources, or the Secretary's designee;
    - (d) The Secretary of the Department of Juvenile Justice, or the Secretary's designee;
    - (e) The State Superintendent of Education, or the Superintendent's designee;
    - (f) The Director of the Developmental Disabilities Administration, or the Director's designee;
    - (g) The Director of the Mental Hygiene Administration, or the Director's designee;
    - (h) The Director of the Governor's Office for Individuals With Disabilities, or the Director's designee;
    - (i) A member of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate;
    - (j) A member of the House of Delegates appointed by the Speaker of the House; and

- (k) Up to five members appointed by the Governor who have relevant experience, and who may include representatives from advocacy organizations, licensed providers of residential care and community associations.
  - (2) Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
  - (3) The members of the Task Force may not receive compensation for their services. Members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations and as provided in the State Budget.
  - (4) Staffing for the Task Force shall be provided by the Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, with assistance as necessary being drawn from other State agencies.
- C. Duties of the Task Force.
- (1) The Task Force shall examine the process for the licensing and monitoring of community-based homes for children licensed by the Department of Human Resources, the Department of Juvenile Justice and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene by:
    - (a) Evaluating the process and requirements each department utilizes for licensing community-based homes for children, including the process for licensing community-based homes that are used by two or more State agencies;
    - (b) Evaluating the frequency and adequacy of the process and procedures used for monitoring community-based homes for children;
    - (c) Researching and evaluating best practices in the licensing and monitoring of community-based homes for children;
    - (d) Examining the staffing qualifications, specifically in the areas of education and experience, that an individual who is not licensed by the State must satisfy to be employed in a community-based home for children;
    - (e) Evaluating the resources allocated to school districts that provide services to children who have been placed in a community-based home out of their area of residency;

- (f) Recommending changes to the licensing and monitoring of community-based homes for children to enhance the coordination between the departments, including evaluating the feasibility of creating a single interagency authority to license and monitor all community-based homes for children; and
  - (g) Determining the most appropriate means for eliciting and responding to citizen concerns about licensed community-based homes for children.
- (2) In completing its examination, the Task Force may:
- (a) Conduct site visits to community-based homes for children around the State;
  - (b) Visit and review the licensing and monitoring programs at the Department of Human Resources, the Department of Juvenile Justice and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; and
  - (c) Hold at least two hearings to gather public comment around the State:
    - (i) At least one of which shall be in Annapolis; and
    - (ii) At least one of which shall be in Baltimore.
- D. Reporting Requirements. The Task Force shall prepare and submit to the Governor a status report on its activities on or before December 1, 2000 and a final report with recommendations for improving the licensing and monitoring of community-based homes for children and for eliciting and responding to citizen concerns about community-based homes on or before October 1, 2001.

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### **EXECUTIVE ORDER OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2000**

01.01.2000.19

#### Special Commission to Study Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Maryland

WHEREAS, The general health and economic well-being of the State is best served by ensuring the fair and equal rights of all of its citizens;

WHEREAS, State law currently prohibits discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations on the basis of an individual's race, color, gender, age, religion, marital status, national origin or disability, but, with the exception of State employment, State law does not currently prohibit discrimination based on an individual's sexual orientation;

WHEREAS, Discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations on the basis of an individual's sexual orientation is prohibited in four local

jurisdictions, representing 48.5% of Maryland's population: Baltimore City, Montgomery County, Howard County and Prince George's County;

WHEREAS, Consequently, except for those individuals who are in Baltimore City, Montgomery County, Howard County or Prince George's County, gay, lesbian and bisexual Marylanders have no recourse under current State law if an employer fires them or refuses to hire them, a restaurant refuses to serve them or a landlord refuses to rent to them because of their sexual orientation;

WHEREAS, Without any legal recourse, discrimination remains the harsh reality for many gay, lesbian and bisexual Marylanders, and as a result, they may suffer personal hardships such as economic loss, physical and emotional stress and illness, and the State suffers a grievous harm;

WHEREAS, Discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations strikes at fundamental American values — the right of individuals to do their job, to utilize public services and to live where they choose in privacy free from intimidation, threats, harassment and discrimination; and

WHEREAS, Other states such as California, Connecticut, Hawaii, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Vermont and Wisconsin and the District of Columbia have enacted laws banning discrimination based on sexual orientation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. Established. There is a Special Commission to Study Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Maryland.
- B. Membership and Procedures.
  - (1) The Commission shall consist of 21 members, including:
    - (a) The Executive Director of the Maryland Commission on Human Relations;
    - (b) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the Secretary's designee;
    - (c) The Secretary of the Department of Housing and Community Development, or the Secretary's designee;
    - (d) The Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee;
    - (e) Two members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate;
    - (f) Two members of the House of Delegates appointed by the Speaker of the House; and

- (g) Up to 13 individuals, appointed by the Governor, with relevant experience, who may include representatives of advocacy organizations, religious groups, the business community, labor organizations and members of the general public.
  - (2) Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
  - (3) The Governor shall designate the chairperson of the Commission.
  - (4) The members of the Commission may not receive compensation for their services. Members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations and as provided in the State Budget.
  - (5) Staffing for the Commission shall be provided by the Maryland Commission on Human Relations and the Governor's Office.
- C. Duties of the Commission.
- (1) The Commission shall:
    - (a) Examine the characteristics, coverage and exclusion of existing laws that prohibit discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations based on sexual orientation;
    - (b) Gather information on the number of complaints filed alleging discrimination under laws currently banning discrimination based on sexual orientation, the number of lawsuits brought under these laws, the potential liability on employers and other persons or organizations charged with discrimination and the impact sexual orientation discrimination complaints have on the workload of the agency responsible for enforcing anti-discrimination laws;
    - (c) Solicit input from the business community, non-profit organizations, religious groups, advocacy groups, government entities and Maryland citizens on the most effective and efficient methods for eliminating discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations based on sexual orientation;
    - (d) Develop recommendations to eliminate sexual orientation discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations in both the public and private sector, including legislative proposals for introduction during the 2001 Session of the Maryland General Assembly as well as any proposals for executive action that the Commission deems appropriate; and

- (e) Perform any other tasks that the Commission deems appropriate in examining sexual orientation discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations.
  - (2) In completing its charge, the Commission shall hold public meetings to gather comment and allow individuals the opportunity to share their views with the Commission.
- D. Reporting Requirements. The Commission shall prepare and submit an interim report with its recommendations to the Governor on or before December 15, 2000, and a final report with any additional recommendations by July 1, 2001.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2000**

01.01.2000.20

Transit–Oriented Development Task Force

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland is committed to fighting the high financial, social and environmental costs of sprawl development through effective strategies, thereby enhancing the quality of life for all Marylanders;

WHEREAS, The Smart Growth Areas Act of 1997 targets State funding to Priority Areas in order to foster the most efficient and effective use of taxpayer dollars for future growth and development;

WHEREAS, To promote Smart Growth, the State of Maryland recognizes the important role of enabling and guiding development in areas served by public transit systems;

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland must take innovative approaches to foster convenient land use patterns near its transit infrastructure in order to generate economic development, revitalize older areas and increase transit ridership; and

WHEREAS, A plan is necessary to pursue Transit–Oriented Development to focus quality development or redevelopment near transit stations that contribute or have a mixed–use, pedestrian–friendly character.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. There shall be a Special Task Force for Transit–Oriented Development.
- B. The Task Force shall consist of no more than 15 members, including:
  - (1) The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Transportation, or the Secretary’s designee, who shall serve as Chair;

- (2) A representative of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
  - (3) A representative of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House; and
  - (4) Up to 12 members appointed by the Governor to represent county and municipal government, professional groups, environmental interest organizations, business and development and other members of the public with relevant interest, knowledge or expertise.
- C. Members appointed by the Governor shall serve at his pleasure. In the event of a vacancy, the Governor shall appoint a successor to serve the remainder of the term.
- D. Scope. The Task Force is charged with the following duties:
- (1) Identify and assess the primary and secondary benefits of Transit-Oriented Development;
  - (2) Recommend general and specific program priorities to maximize the primary and secondary benefits of Transit-Oriented Development;
  - (3) Recommend guidelines and methods for implementing Transit-Oriented Development around the State's transit systems, including, but not limited to the development of ideas for funding of Transit-Oriented Development areas, incentive funding for Transit-Oriented Development, additional business and community support mechanisms and other legislative and administrative actions; and
  - (4) After considering the conclusions on the items listed above, make recommendations for marketing and for Year 2001 initiatives.
- E. The Maryland Department of Transportation shall serve as principal staff support for the Task Force.
- F. Procedures.
- (1) The Task Force shall meet at least monthly at locations to be determined.
  - (2) A majority of members of the Task Force shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business.
  - (3) The Task Force may adopt other procedures necessary to ensure the orderly transaction of business.
  - (4) The Task Force shall submit to the Governor its report on the items listed in Section D of this Executive Order on or before December 30, 2000.

- G. The members of the Task Force may not receive any compensation for their services. Members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of duties, in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations and as provided in the State Budget.
- H. This Executive Order shall terminate and be of no effect after December 30, 2000.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2000**

01.01.2000.21

Governor's Interagency Office on Community Affairs

WHEREAS, Maryland values the contributions and services provided by community organizations and constituent groups as vital and significant in the development and implementation of public policy;

WHEREAS, Maryland recognizes the need for government to participate in community outreach and build relationships with community-based organizations and efforts; and

WHEREAS, Maryland acknowledges the need for a collaborative effort among the government and community and constituent groups to develop a comprehensive strategy focusing on building strong, productive public/private sector relationships.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. There is a Governor's Interagency Office on Community Affairs.
- B. The Director shall be appointed by the Governor or his designee and serve at the pleasure of the Governor or his designee.
- C. The Office shall:
  - (1) Conduct a survey and assessment of existing community affairs services and public outreach efforts within the Executive Branch of State government;
  - (2) Develop and implement a strategic plan to encourage greater involvement and participation by community organizations and constituent groups in the formulation and implementation of public policy;
  - (3) Serve as a resource to advise the Governor and Executive Branch agencies of State government on matters relating to community affairs and public outreach efforts;

- (4) Cooperate with already existing efforts and programs within State government to establish and promote relationships between constituents and the State of Maryland;
  - (5) Represent the Office of the Governor and the Executive Branch of State government at community and constituent meetings or functions where appropriate; and
  - (6) Coordinate public outreach efforts with all constituent groups.
- D. The Office shall prepare and submit to the Governor:
- (1) The strategic plan described hereinabove in paragraph C(2); and
  - (2) An annual report on its efforts, the impact of the relationships established or strengthened and recommendations for future efforts to improve the public outreach efforts of State government.
- E. Staffing and other expenses of the Office shall be met through the operating budget of the Executive Department and other funding sources available for the purpose of developing public/private sector relationships and promoting public outreach efforts.
- F. The Office is entitled to the full cooperation of all State departments and agencies. In this regard, State departments and agencies shall furnish information and any additional assistance as may be necessary and available to further the purposes of this Executive Order.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF OCTOBER 19, 2000**

01.01.2000.22

Special Commission to Study Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Maryland

(Amends 01.01.2000.19)

WHEREAS, The Special Commission to Study Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Maryland was established by Executive Order 01.01.2000.19 to focus on discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations based on an individual's sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, It is in the interest of the Commission that the membership be expanded to provide for additional participation from interested individuals in the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. Established. There is a Special Commission to Study Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Maryland.
- B. Membership and Procedures.
  - (1) The Commission shall consist of [21] 23 members, including:
    - (a) The Executive Director of the Maryland Commission on Human Relations;
    - (b) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the Secretary's designee;
    - (c) The Secretary of the Department of Housing and Community Development, or the Secretary's designee;
    - (d) The Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee;
    - (e) Two members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate;
    - (f) Two members of the House of Delegates appointed by the Speaker of the House; and
    - (g) Up to [13] 15 individuals, appointed by the Governor, with relevant experience, who may include representatives of advocacy organizations, religious groups, the business community, labor organizations and members of the general public.
  - (2) Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
  - (3) The Governor shall designate the chairperson of the Commission.
  - (4) The members of the Commission may not receive compensation for their services. Members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations and as provided in the State Budget.
  - (5) Staffing for the Commission shall be provided by the Maryland Commission on Human Relations and the Governor's Office.
- C. Duties of the Commission.
  - (1) The Commission shall:
    - (a) Examine the characteristics, coverage and exclusion of existing laws that prohibit discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations based on sexual orientation;

- (b) Gather information on the number of complaints filed alleging discrimination under laws currently banning discrimination based on sexual orientation, the number of lawsuits brought under these laws, the potential liability on employers and other persons or organizations charged with discrimination and the impact sexual orientation discrimination complaints have on the workload of the agency responsible for enforcing anti-discrimination laws;
  - (c) Solicit input from the business community, non-profit organizations, religious groups, advocacy groups, government entities and Maryland citizens on the most effective and efficient methods for eliminating discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations based on sexual orientation;
  - (d) Develop recommendations to eliminate sexual orientation discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations in both the public and private sector, including legislative proposals for introduction during the 2001 Session of the Maryland General Assembly as well as any proposals for executive action that the Commission deems appropriate; and
  - (e) Perform any other tasks that the Commission deems appropriate in examining sexual orientation discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations.
- (2) In completing its charge, the Commission shall hold public meetings to gather comment and allow individuals the opportunity to share their views with the Commission.
- D. Reporting Requirements. The Commission shall prepare and submit an interim report with its recommendations to the Governor on or before December 15, 2000, and a final report with any additional recommendations by July 1, 2001.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF OCTOBER 20, 2000**

01.01.2000.23

Governor's Council On The Status of Girls

(Amends 01.01.2000.11)

WHEREAS, The Governor's Council on the Status of Girls was established by Executive Order 01.01.2000.11 to focus on policies and programs beneficial to the interests and future of girls in Maryland; and

WHEREAS, It is in the interest of the Council that the membership be expanded to

provide for additional participation from interested individuals in the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

A. Established. There is a Governor's Council On The Status of Girls within the Maryland Commission For Women.

B. Membership and Procedures.

- (1) The Council shall consist of up to [17] 19 members appointed by the Governor to include:
  - (a) A representative of the Maryland Department of Human Resources;
  - (b) A representative of the Maryland State Department of Education;
  - (c) A representative of the Governor's Office for Children, Youth and Families;
  - (d) Up to 3 additional representatives of State agencies involved in policy, programs or procedures affecting girls;
  - (e) Up to 3 representatives of the Maryland Commission for Women;
  - (f) 2 youth representatives of middle and high school age; and
  - (g) Up to [6] 8 members with special interest or knowledge in issues affecting girls, including but not limited to, representatives of organizations such as the Girl Scouts, Inc. and the American Association of University Women.
- (2) Representatives named under B(1)(a) through (e) shall be designated by the respective agency heads with the concurrence of the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Youth representatives appointed under B(1)(f) shall serve 1-year terms. Members appointed under B(1)(g) shall serve staggered 3 year terms, and may serve up to 2 consecutive terms. In the event of a vacancy, the Governor shall appoint a successor for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- (3) The Governor shall designate a Chair or Co-Chairs from among the members of the Council.

- (4) The Governor may remove any member of the Council for any cause adversely affecting the member's ability or willingness to perform his or her duties.
- (5) A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business. The Council may adopt any other procedures necessary to ensure the orderly transaction of business.
- (6) The members of the Council may not receive any compensation for their services. Members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations, and as provided in the State budget.
- (7) The Council shall determine the times and places of its meetings and shall meet not less than 6 times annually.
- (8) The Council shall establish subcommittees as needed to execute its responsibilities.

C. Duties. The Council shall:

- (1) Identify the forces, conditions and societal patterns that obstruct the growth and development of girls in Maryland;
- (2) Review and analyze the need for, and availability of, resources to address the needs of girls;
- (3) Provide the leadership needed to recommend legislative, policy and procedural changes that would help Maryland's girls realize their full potential, now and in the future;
- (4) Make recommendations to the appropriate State agencies to implement legislation, policies and procedural changes; and
- (5) Establish a reporting system to measure the extent to which State laws and policies are carried out in the best interest of Maryland's girls.

D. Staff Support. The Department of Human Resources shall provide the Council with necessary staff and resources.

E. Reports. The Council shall submit an annual report on its activities with recommendations to the Governor by January of each year.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF DECEMBER 1, 2000**

01.01.2000.24

The Maryland Fatherhood Initiative

WHEREAS, Statistics assembled by the Annie E. Casey Foundation in 1997 indicate that 26 percent of Maryland families with children under age 18 are headed by a single parent, placing Maryland 18th in the national ranking;

WHEREAS, Recent research indicates that children who do not live with their fathers are more likely to do poorly in school, are at higher risk for involvement with drugs and alcohol, are more likely to live in poverty and are at greater risk of child abuse and becoming teen parents;

WHEREAS, Research also confirms that involvement of fathers with their children has positive effects on the their educational, social, psychological and physical development;

WHEREAS, Across America there is a renewed understanding of the unique importance fathers play in the lives of their children, families and communities; and

WHEREAS, Maryland has been a leader in promoting the positive role of fathers in their children's lives and supporting the needs of fathers and their families to encourage responsible fatherhood.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

A. Council Established. There is a Maryland Fatherhood Initiative established with the following goals:

- (1) To coordinate programs that promote fatherhood and counter the incidence of fatherlessness in the State of Maryland;
- (2) To provide grants to faith-based and other non-profit organizations that provide services and technical support to fathers;
- (3) To increase awareness of the importance of fathers in the lives of their children; and
- (4) To identify obstacles that impede or prevent responsible father involvement and identify strategies to remove these barriers.

B. Membership and Procedures. The Governor's Fatherhood Advisory Council (the Council) is hereby established and shall operate with the following membership and procedures:

- (1) The Council consists of up to 15 members, including:

- (a) The Governor or his designee;
  - (b) One member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
  - (c) One member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
  - (d) Up to four representatives of State government agencies with relevant interest or expertise in, or responsibility for policy, programs and procedures affecting fathers and their families; and
  - (e) Up to eight public members appointed by the Governor, who have relevant interest or knowledge, including at least 1 youth or young adult.
- (2) The Governor shall designate a Chair from among the members of the Council.
  - (3) Representatives named under B(1)(d) shall be designated by their respective agency heads with the concurrence of the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Members appointed under B(1)(e) shall serve staggered 2-year terms, and may serve up to 2 consecutive terms. In the event of a vacancy, the Governor shall appoint a successor for the remainder of the term.
  - (4) The Governor may remove any member of the Council for any cause adversely affecting the member's ability or willingness to perform their duties.
  - (5) A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Council may adopt any other procedures it finds necessary to ensure the orderly transaction of business.
  - (6) The Council may establish ad hoc committees as needed to execute its responsibilities and may invite individuals from the public and private sectors to serve and participate in the work of such committees.
  - (7) Members of the Council may not receive any compensation for their services. Members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses in the performance of their duties, in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations, and as provided in the State budget.
  - (8) The Council shall determine the times and places of its meetings and shall convene not less than 4 times annually.

C. Scope of the Council. The Council shall:

- (1) Convene annual statewide and regional conferences to devise strategies and identify resources to address conditions and societal issues that impact the lives of fathers and families;
  - (2) Review fatherhood project grant proposals and recommend award recipients to the Governor;
  - (3) Make recommendations to the Governor on fatherhood issues and policies;
  - (4) Assist in identifying resources, best practices and innovative service delivery models; and
  - (5) Conduct such other matters as the Council, in its judgment, deems appropriate in reducing the incidence of fatherlessness among Maryland families.
- D. Staff Support. Staff support and resources for the Council shall be provided as necessary through the Department of Human Resources and other State departments and units.
- E. Reports. The Council shall submit a summary of its activities with recommendations to the Governor by June 30th of each year.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF DECEMBER 4, 2000**

01.01.2000.25

Special Committee on Voting Systems and Election Procedures in Maryland

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland and the United States were founded upon the principle of self-government in which the “right to vote” is the most important and fundamental right of the people;

WHEREAS, The citizens of Maryland must have the highest degree of confidence in the voting systems and election procedures used in the election of public officials and determination of ballot issues;

WHEREAS, Maryland’s voting systems and election procedures must ensure that all votes are counted accurately and that voting is easily understood and as convenient as possible;

WHEREAS, Additional resources may be required to provide funding to upgrade the voting systems used in Maryland elections; and

WHEREAS, Maryland election laws, rules and procedures should reflect the highest professional standards and best practices.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM

## THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. Established. There is a Special Committee on Voting Systems and Election Procedures in Maryland.
- B. Membership and Procedures.
  - (1) The Committee shall be comprised of the following members:
    - (a) The Secretary of State, who shall serve as Chair;
    - (b) Two Vice Chairpersons appointed by the Governor, one each representing the majority and minority party in the State;
    - (c) Two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
    - (d) Two members of the Maryland House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
    - (e) Up to six members appointed by the Governor from the public-at-large, who shall have relevant interest and expertise.
  - (2) The Chairperson of the State Board of Elections and the President of the Maryland Association of Election Officials will be ex-officio, non-voting members.
  - (3) Members who are appointed by the Governor shall serve at his pleasure. In the event of a vacancy, the Governor shall appoint a successor.
  - (4) The Governor may remove any member of the Committee for any cause adversely affecting the member's ability or willingness to perform their duties.
  - (5) A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Committee may adopt any other procedures it finds necessary to ensure the orderly transaction of business.
  - (6) The Committee may establish ad hoc committees as needed to execute its responsibilities and may invite individuals from the public and private sectors to serve and participate in the work of such committees.
  - (7) Members of the Committee may not receive any compensation for their services. Members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses in the performance of their duties, in accordance with the State Standard Travel Regulations, and as provided in the State budget.
  - (8) The Committee shall determine the times and places of its meetings.

- C. Staffing. Staff support to the Committee shall be provided by the Office of the Secretary of State and the State Board of Elections.
- D. The Committee shall:
  - (1) Evaluate the election systems and election procedures utilized in Maryland;
  - (2) Review existing standards for recounts and contested elections to ensure conformance with the highest professional standards and best practices;
  - (3) Recommend appropriate funding levels to provide Marylanders with accurate, convenient and reliable voting systems; and
  - (4) Recommend statutory and regulatory changes to ensure full and fair elections in Maryland.
- E. Report. The Committee shall provide recommendations to the Governor on or before February 9, 2001.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF DECEMBER 7, 2000**

01.01.2000.26

Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities

WHEREAS, Maryland has made tremendous improvements in the structure, quality and availability of services to transitioning students with disabilities as we enter the 21st century;

WHEREAS, Chapter 435 of the 1995 Laws of Maryland required an Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities through the collaborative efforts of certain divisions of the State Department of Education, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and the Governor's Office for Individuals with Disabilities to address concerns about the transition outcomes of youths with disabilities in Maryland;

WHEREAS, Chapter 435 requires the Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) of the State Department of Education to report annually to the General Assembly on the progress of the Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities and make recommendations to effect policy, programs, resources and fiscal implementation; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 435 defined "transitioning student" as a student with a disability who is between the ages of 14 and 21 years and who meets the eligibility criteria of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 1990, as amended, or Section 7 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PARRIS N. GLENDENING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE

OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- A. Established. There is an Interagency Transition Council for Youth with Disabilities.
- B. Composition. The Council consists of up to 21 members, including:
  - (1) The Director of the Governor's Office for Individuals with Disabilities, who shall serve as Chair;
  - (2) A representative of the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities;
  - (3) A representative of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation;
  - (4) A representative of the Office of Children, Youth and Families;
  - (5) A representative of the Department of Human Resources;
  - (6) The following representatives from the State Department of Education:
    - (i) The Assistant State Superintendent of the Division of Rehabilitation Services;
    - (ii) The Assistant State Superintendent of the Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services;
    - (iii) The Assistant State Superintendent of the Division of Career Technology and Adult Learning; and
    - (iv) The Assistant State Superintendent of the Division of Student and School Services;
  - (7) The following representatives from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene:
    - (i) The Director of the Developmental Disabilities Administration; and
    - (ii) The Director of the Mental Hygiene Administration;
  - (8) Up to 9 members with relevant interest or expertise appointed by the Governor. These individuals may represent parents, advocacy organizations serving the disability community, service agencies in the public or private sector, and the general public. Members appointed under this provision shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor for up to two consecutive 3-year terms; and

- (9) A student representative annually selected by the Maryland State Department of Education with the approval of the Governor. The representative shall be a student between the ages of 14 and 21 years of age who meets the eligibility criteria of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 1997 or Section 7 of the Rehabilitation Act.
- C. Procedures. The following procedures apply to the Council.
- (1) Staffing. Primary staff support shall be provided by the Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) of the Maryland State Department of Education.
  - (2) Other Support. The Council may name additional consulting members or establish such committees as may be necessary or helpful in discharging its duties.
  - (3) Meetings. The Council shall meet at least 4 times a year.
  - (4) Compensation. Appointed members of the Council may not receive any compensation for their services, but they may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, in accordance with the Standard State Travel Regulations, and as provided in the State budget.
- D. Duties. The Council shall have the following duties and responsibilities:
- (1) Annually review and update the Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities, to coordinate and implement interagency planning and delivery of services for secondary students with disabilities, including its Memorandum of Understanding for Transitioning Services, to ensure that it continues to reflect the following goals and requirements:
    - (i) Cross-agency, interdisciplinary training and technical assistance for all stakeholders, including professionals, parents, students and advocates;
    - (ii) Accountability reporting related to anticipated services data and students' post-school outcomes;
    - (iii) Methods to coordinate with State and federal workforce and system reform efforts;
    - (iv) Strategies for identifying and replicating promising transition practices;
    - (v) Recommendations for needed policy changes and funding priorities; and

- (vi) Outreach for continued identification and response to youth in need, including youths who are incarcerated or in detention centers.
  - (2) Identify and report activities of each partner that impact the delivery, quality and availability of transition services.
  - (3) Disseminate information concerning the goals and activities of the Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities for public comment concurrent with forum events held by DORS.
  - (4) Establish priorities based on public input, promising practices and emerging needs of the field.
- E. Report. The Interagency Transition Council shall annually report to the Governor concerning the goals and progress of the Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities on or before September 30 of each year.



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Community-Based Homes for Children, Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.18	30
Fatherhood Advisory Council, Governor's, and Maryland Fatherhood Initiative, established; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.24	44
Forensic Sciences Task Force, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.04	4

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Gasoline Zone Pricing in Maryland, Task Force on, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.14	21
Girls, Governor's Council on the Status of -		
Established within the Maryland Commission for Women; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.11	12
Membership increased .....	01.01.2000.23	41
Hunger, State Advisory Council on, established and annual report required; State Advisory Council on Nutrition, dissolved .....	01.01.2000.06	8
Maryland State Parks, Special Commission for, termination date extended .....	01.01.2000.05	6
Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.12	14
Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.12	14
Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Maryland, Special Commission to Study -		
Established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.19	33
Membership increased .....	01.01.2000.22	39
Statewide Water Conservation Advisory Committee, established .....	01.01.2000.01	1
Transit-Oriented Development, Special Task Force for, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.20	36
Voting Systems and Election Procedures in Maryland, Special Committee on, established; report required ....	01.01.2000.25	46
Water Supply Infrastructure, Technical Advisory Committee on, established .....	01.01.2000.01	1
Youth with Disabilities, Interagency Transition Council for, established to annually review and update the Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.26	48
<b>Community Facilities and Services --</b>		
Community Access Steering Committee -		
Established with supporting task forces under Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to improve placement of persons with disabilities in more integrated, community-based settings; reports required .....	01.01.2000.13	18
Membership and co-chair provisions altered .....	01.01.2000.15	22
	01.01.2000.17	28
<b>Conservation --</b>		
Statewide Water Conservation Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee on Water Supply Infrastructure, established .....	01.01.2000.01	1
<b>Consumer Protection --</b>		
Gasoline Zone Pricing in Maryland, Task Force on, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.14	21
<b>Crimes and Punishments --</b>		
Hostage Situation State of Emergency -		
Declared .....	01.01.2000.07	10

Terminated .....	01.01.2000.08	10
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**Death Penalty --**

Eugene Sherman Colvin-El's death sentence commuted to life imprisonment without possibility of parole .....	01.01.2000.10	12
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**Disabilities --**

Community Access Steering Committee -		
Established with supporting task forces under Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to improve placement of persons with disabilities in more integrated, community-based settings; reports required .....	01.01.2000.13	18
Membership and co-chair provisions altered .....	01.01.2000.15	22
	01.01.2000.17	28
Youth with Disabilities, Interagency Transition Council for, established to annually review and update the Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.26	48

**Discrimination --**

Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Maryland, Special Commission to Study -		
Established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.19	33
Membership increased .....	01.01.2000.22	39

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**Elections --**

Voting Systems and Election Procedures in Maryland, Special Committee on, established; report required ....	01.01.2000.25	46
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**Emergencies --**

Hostage Situation State of Emergency -		
Declared .....	01.01.2000.07	10
Terminated .....	01.01.2000.08	10
Severe Winter Storm State of Emergency -		
Declared; Maryland National Guard State service activated .....	01.01.2000.02	3
Terminated .....	01.01.2000.03	3

**Environmental Matters --**

Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee and Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.12	14
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## EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
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#### **Family Law --**

Fatherhood Initiative, Maryland, and Governor's Fatherhood Advisory Council, established; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.24	44
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#### **Food --**

Hunger, State Advisory Council on, established and annual report required; State Advisory Council on Nutrition, dissolved .....	01.01.2000.06	8
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#### **Forests and Parks --**

Maryland State Parks, Special Commission for, termination date extended .....	01.01.2000.05	6
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#### **Fuel --**

Gasoline Zone Pricing in Maryland, Task Force on, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.14	21
Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee and Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.12	14

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#### **General Assembly --**

2000 regular session extended for the purpose of passing the Budget Bill .....	01.01.2000.09	11
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#### **General Services, Department of --**

Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
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#### **Group Homes --**

Community-Based Homes for Children, Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.18	30
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#### **Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of --**

Community-Based Homes for Children, Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.18	30
Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25

#### **Hearings --**

Community-Based Homes for Children, Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of, established; hearings and reports required .....	01.01.2000.18	30
<b>Housing and Community Development, Department of --</b>		
Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
<b>Human Resources, Department of --</b>		
Community-Based Homes for Children, Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.18	30

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<b>Juvenile Justice, Department of --</b>		
Community-Based Homes for Children, Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.18	30
Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25

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<b>Laboratories --</b>		
Forensic Sciences Task Force, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.04	4
<b>Law Enforcement --</b>		
Forensic Sciences Task Force, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.04	4
<b>Licenses --</b>		
Community-Based Homes for Children, Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.18	30

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<b>Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund --</b>		
Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
<b>Mass Transit --</b>		
Transit-Oriented Development, Special Task Force for, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.20	36
<b>Militia --</b>		
Severe winter storm state of emergency declared; Maryland National Guard State service activated .....	01.01.2000.02	3
<b>Minors --</b>		

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Community-Based Homes for Children, Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.18	30
Girls, Governor's Council on the Status of - Established within the Maryland Commission for Women; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.11	12
Membership increased .....	01.01.2000.23	41

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### **Natural Resources --**

Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
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### **Natural Resources, Department of --**

Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
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### **Pollution --**

Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee and Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.12	14
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### **Prices --**

Gasoline Zone Pricing in Maryland, Task Force on, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.14	21
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### **Prisoners --**

Commutation of death sentence to life imprisonment without possibility of parole for Eugene Sherman Colvin-El .....	01.01.2000.10	12
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### **Public Safety and Correctional Services, Department of --**

Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
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### **Public Works --**

Water Supply Infrastructure, Technical Advisory Committee on, established .....	01.01.2000.01	1
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### **Reports --**

Community Access Steering Committee, established with supporting task forces under Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to improve placement of persons with disabilities in more integrated, community-based settings; reports required .....	01.01.2000.13	18
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Community-Based Homes for Children, Task Force to Study the Licensing and Monitoring of, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.18	30
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Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Maryland, Special Commission to Study, established; reports required ....	01.01.2000.19	33
Statewide Water Conservation Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee on Water Supply Infrastructure, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.01	1
Voting Systems and Election Procedures in Maryland, Special Committee on, established; report required ....	01.01.2000.25	46
Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
Youth with Disabilities, Interagency Transition Council for, established to annually review and update the Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.26	48
<b>Rivers and Streams --</b>		
Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee and Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.12	14

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**Sentences --**

Commutation of death sentence to life imprisonment without possibility of parole for Eugene Sherman Colvin-El .....	01.01.2000.10	12
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**Sexual Orientation --**

Sexual Orientation Discrimination in Maryland, Special Commission to Study -		
Established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.19	33
Membership increased .....	01.01.2000.22	39

**Social Services --**

Hunger, State Advisory Council on, established and annual report required; State Advisory Council on Nutrition, dissolved .....	01.01.2000.06	8
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### **State Police, Department of --**

Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
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### **Students --**

Youth with Disabilities, Interagency Transition Council for, established to annually review and update the Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.26	48
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### **Sunset --**

Maryland State Parks, Special Commission for, termination date extended .....	01.01.2000.05	6
Transit-Oriented Development, Special Task Force for, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.20	36

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### **Transportation, Department of --**

Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
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### **Voting --**

Voting Systems and Election Procedures in Maryland, Special Committee on, established; report required ....	01.01.2000.25	46
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### **Water --**

Oil Spill Prevention Advisory Committee and Patuxent River Oil Spill Citizens Advisory Committee, established; reports required .....	01.01.2000.12	14
Statewide Water Conservation Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee on Water Supply Infrastructure, established .....	01.01.2000.01	1

### **Weather --**

Severe Winter Storm State of Emergency - Declared; Maryland National Guard State service activated .....	01.01.2000.02	3
Terminated .....	01.01.2000.03	3

### **Wetlands --**

Wetlands Restoration Policy, established for State owned lands and State managed programs for implementation by State agencies .....	01.01.2000.16	25
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### **Women --**

Girls, Governor's Council on the Status of -		
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Established within the Maryland Commission for Women; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.11	12
Membership increased .....	01.01.2000.23	41

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**Youth --**

Youth with Disabilities, Interagency Transition Council for, established to annually review and update the Interagency State Plan for Transitioning Students with Disabilities; annual report required .....	01.01.2000.26	48
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**Zoning and Planning --**

Transit-Oriented Development, Special Task Force for, established; report required .....	01.01.2000.20	36
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