

includ[ing] an appropriation to partially support the Council" is substituted for the former reference to "the State's contribution under this section" for accuracy and consistency with the constitutional State budget process.

Also in subsection (a)(5) of this section, the former reference to "annual review by the General Assembly" is deleted as an unnecessary restatement of the ability of the legislature to reduce an appropriation for which a specified amount is not set by statute. See Md. Constitution, Art. III, § 52.

In subsection (b)(3) and (4) of this section, the references to appropriating funds that "they consider" necessary and appropriate are substituted for the former reference to appropriating money "as is" necessary and appropriate for accuracy.

Defined terms: "Commissioners" § 13-701

"Council" § 13-701

"County" § 9-101

"Department" § 9-101

"Region" § 13-701

"State" § 9-101

13-712. JURISDICTION, ASSOCIATION, POWERS, AND DUTIES.

(A) JURISDICTION; ASSOCIATION.

(1) THE COUNCIL MAY OPERATE IN THE REGION.

(2) ASSOCIATION WITH THE COUNCIL IS OPEN TO ALL COUNTIES, MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS IN THE REGION.

(B) POWERS AND DUTIES.

THE COUNCIL MAY:

(1) ADOPT A SEAL;

(2) SUE;

(3) ADOPT BYLAWS AND RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF ITS BUSINESS;

(4) ENTER INTO CONTRACTS OR AGREEMENTS;

(5) BORROW MONEY AND ACCEPT ADVANCES, LOANS, GRANTS, CONTRIBUTIONS, AND ANY OTHER FORM OF ASSISTANCE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE STATE, OR OTHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SOURCE;

(6) GIVE ANY REQUIRED SECURITY;

(7) INCLUDE IN ANY CONTRACT FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ANY REASONABLE AND APPROPRIATE CONDITION IMPOSED UNDER FEDERAL LAWS THAT IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE;