

MARYLAND STATE ROADS COMMISSION

Chairperson: M. Slade Caltrider, *State Highway Administrator*

Regional Commissioners: Harley P. Brinsfield, Sr., 1980; Arthur B. Price, Jr., 1980; Frank Thorp, 1980; Thomas G. Barton, 1981; Garner W. Duvall, 1981; Leslie H. Evans, 1981; Irving L. Kidwell, 1981.

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By Chapter 526, Acts of 1970, the State Roads Commission became a part of the Department of Transportation, its name was changed to the State Highway Administration, and the title of Director of Highways was changed to State Highway Administrator (Code Transportation Article, secs. 8-101 through 8-812).

The State Roads Commission continues with the authority and function vested in it by Article III, Section 40B, of the Constitution, specifically the acquisition by condemnation proceedings of property needed for highway purposes. Except for this specific power granted by the Maryland Constitution and legislation adopted pursuant thereto, all previous powers and functions were by Chapter 526, Acts of 1970, transferred to the State Highway Administration and the Maryland Transportation Authority.

The State Roads Commission consists of eight members appointed by the Secretary of Transportation with the approval of the Governor for four-year terms. Seven members are referred to as Regional Commissioners. One member is appointed from the Eastern Shore; one from Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, or St. Mary's County; one from Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, or Washington County; one from Montgomery County; one from Prince George's County; one from Baltimore, Harford, or Howard County; and one from the City of Baltimore. These members serve part time. The chairperson, who is also the State Highway Administrator, is appointed by the Secretary of Transportation with the approval of the Governor and serves at the pleasure of the Secretary. At least two of the regional members must belong to whichever of the two leading political parties in the State is not the party of the Governor (Code Transportation Article, secs. 8-210 through 8-218).

The basic function of the State Highway Administration is to construct and maintain an adequate State highway system. The State Highway Administration also maintains, constructs, and administers the road system of six of the twenty-three counties of the State. These counties are Cecil, Kent, Talbot, Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's.

The Administration's main offices are located in Baltimore. For operational purposes, however, the State is divided into seven engineering districts.

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