

Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Harford County", sub-title "County Commissioners", as said Section was enacted by Chapter 119 of the Acts of 1961, and to enact a new Section 216A in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section so repealed, repealing the law creating the Harford County Park Board, making provision for a Board of Parks and Recreation as a successor agency, defining the membership, powers and duties of this Board, and relating generally to the powers of the County Commissioners of Harford County and to the Board of Parks and Recreation with respect to the subject of parks and recreation in that County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 216A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Harford County (1957 Edition, being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Harford County", sub-title "County Commissioners", as said section was enacted by Chapter 119 of the Acts of 1961, be and it is hereby repealed; and that new Section 216A be and it is hereby added to the said Code of Public Local Laws, to stand in the place of the section so repealed, and to read as follows:*

216A.

(a) The County Commissioners of Harford County may establish a Board of Parks and Recreation, with powers and duties as hereinafter specified.

(b) The Board shall consist of seven members, appointed by the County Commissioners, of whom one shall be first recommended by the Board of Education of Harford County from its membership or otherwise. All members of the Board shall be appointed for four years from the first day of January of the year of their appointments, or until their successors are appointed. The members of the Board, other than the County Commissioner, when first appointed, shall be divided into three classes, two of the members being in each class. The initial terms of those in the first class shall be four years; of those in the second class, three years; and of those in the third class, two years. Vacancies, except those at the expiration of a term, shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments and for the unexpired term. In the appointment of Board members, the County Commissioners shall give due regard to giving representation to all segments of the County's population and to all geographic portions of the County's area. All members of the Board shall serve without compensation, except that they may be reimbursed for necessary and proper expenses incurred while performing their duties thereon.

(c) The Board shall annually select a chairman and a vice chairman from its membership; and it shall also select a secretary and a treasurer, who may or may not be members thereof. The Board may require the treasurer to give bond in such amount as it may determine, and it is further authorized to adopt all necessary rules and regulations for the conduct of its business and for the protection of properties under its control. The Board shall hold such regular and special meetings as it may deem necessary. The Board is authorized to determine all questions of general policy relating to parks and public recreation in Harford County and to supervise the expenditure of funds appropriated to these purposes. It may appoint advisory committees or panels to assist in the exercise of its powers and functions.