

members of The Council. The Governor shall also appoint two citizens residing within the "area," selected at large, as members of The Council.

(i) Ex officio members—~~["The Director of the State Department of Planning, the Chairman-Director of the State Roads Commission, the Chairman of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, or an alternate chosen by the Authority, and the Chairman of the Maryland Port Authority, or an alternate chosen by the Authority,] *The Secretary of the Maryland Department of State Planning, the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Transportation, the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene* THE SECRETARY OF STATE PLANNING, THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, THE SECRETARY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE shall serve ex officio as members of The Council, *except that each ex officio member may appoint an alternate as his representative to The Council.* EX OFFICIO MEMBERS AND THEIR ALTERNATES SHALL NOT HAVE VOTING RIGHTS AND POWERS.~~

(j) Voting rights and powers of permanent alternate members.—Permanent alternate members of The Council, duly appointed in accordance with the provisions of this article, shall have full voting rights and powers, the same as regular members of The Council, when sitting as members of The Council or any committee or subcommittee thereof.

(k) Governor to be advised of appointments.—Each appointing or designating authority, with the exception of the Governor, shall within 5 days from the date of an appointment, advise the Governor thereof.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 17, 1971.

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CHAPTER 498

(House Bill 42)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 153C(c) of Article 83 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Sales and Notices," subtitle "Retail Credit Accounts Law," to provide that sellers or financial institutions shall notify buyers, at the time of confirmation of establishment of a retail credit account, of the buyer's rights under Section 153C (g) of the Retail Credit Accounts Law.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 153C(c) of Article 83 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Sales and Notices," subtitle "Retail Credit Accounts Law," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows: