

[(1) In said county there shall be a Washington County plumbing board which shall consist of three members. One of the members shall be a person who is a master plumber residing in Washington County and shall be appointed annually by the County Commissioners of Washington County. The compensation of such member shall be fixed from time to time by the County Commissioners, which said compensation shall be paid from the fees of applicants for certificates and permits and shall not exceed the sum or sums so collected. One member of the board shall be the Washington County health officer, who shall receive no additional compensation for his services under this section. The remaining member of the board shall be a citizen of Washington County living outside the city limits of Hagerstown and shall be appointed annually by the County Commissioners of Washington County and whose compensation shall be fixed from time to time by the County Commissioners, which said compensation also shall be paid as far as possible from the fees of applicants for certificates or permits.]

*(1) There shall be a Washington County plumbing board which shall consist of five members. Two of the members shall be master plumbers residing in the county, and they shall be appointed annually by the County Commissioners of Washington County. The County Commissioners shall also select annually two members from among the residents of the county. The compensation of these four members shall be as provided by the County Commissioners and each member shall receive the same amount of compensation. The compensation shall be paid, to the extent possible, from the fees of applicants for certificates or permits. The Washington County health officer shall be the fifth member of the board, and he shall receive no additional compensation for serving as a member of the board.*

The Washington County plumbing board shall have the sole power to grant certificates and permits to persons desiring to work at the plumbing business in Washington County in the same form and manner as certificates and permits are granted by the State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing. Said board, subject to the approval of the County Commissioners of Washington County, shall have the power and are hereby authorized to make such rules and regulations for the issuance of certificates or permits, the examinations of applicants therefor, the entrance into plumbing work, the plumbing trade or business in Washington County and the conduct thereof, as it may deem necessary for the protection of the public health, welfare, and safety, and shall have and exercise in Washington County the same authority and power conferred upon the State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing, by this subtitle. Any person who holds a certificate or permit heretofore issued by the State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing or any person who has been actively engaged in the plumbing business for the past five (5) years as of June 1, 1963, and who is engaged in the plumbing business in Washington County at the time of making application, shall be eligible to apply to the Washington County plumbing board for examination for a master plumber's certificate. Said applicant shall state where he desires to engage in the plumbing business, and any such person who can meet the requirements of the Maryland State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing, shall have and exercise all the