

CHAPTER 255  
(Senate Bill 696)

AN ACT to add new Section 249 (j) to Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume), title "Licenses," subtitle "Home-Improvement Law," to follow immediately after Section 249 (i) thereof; and to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 250 (b), 250 (c), 252 (a), 252 (d), 252 (f), 253 (e), 259 (a), 259 (b), 260 (a), 260 (b) and 260 (c) of Article 56 of said Code (1968 Replacement Volume and 1970 Supplement), title "Licenses," subtitle "Home-Improvement Law," defining the term "Commissioners"; providing that the terms "Commissioner" and "Commissioners" be used in place of various other terms; providing that the executive director of the Commission shall be subject to removal by the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation and not by the Commission; providing that TO WHOM the executive director shall be responsible; ~~only to the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation~~; and generally relating to the Maryland Home-Improvement Commission.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 249 (j) be and it is hereby added to Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume), title "Licenses," subtitle "Home-Improvement Law," to follow immediately after Section 249 (i) thereof; and that Sections 250 (b), 250 (c), 252 (a), 252 (d), 252 (f), 253 (e), 259 (a), 259 (b), 260 (a), 260 (b) and 260 (c) of Article 56 of said Code (1968 Replacement Volume and 1970 Supplement), title "Licenses," subtitle "Home-Improvement Law," be and they are hereby repealed, and re-enacted, with amendments, and all to read as follows:

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(j) "*Commissioners*" shall mean the members of the Commission who have been appointed by the Governor.

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(b) Each [member of the Commission] *Commissioner* shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation, for a term of four years, except that when a vacancy occurs before the expiration of a term, the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation, shall appoint the successor to serve for the remainder of the term. One of the [members] *Commissioners* shall be designated chairman by the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation.

(c) The Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation, shall appoint as [members of the Commission] *Commissioners*, no less than two persons who are qualified by experience in at least some phase of the home-improvement industry, and no less than one person who is qualified by experience in the business of banking or finance. Each [member] *Commissioner* shall have been a citizen and resident of this State for not less than five years preceding his appointment.