

4. *There is hereby established a State Lottery Agency, which shall include a State Lottery Commission and a director.*

5. (a) *The Commission shall consist of five members, all of whom shall be citizens and residents of this State and all of whom shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate of Maryland. The members shall be appointed for terms of ~~five~~ FOUR years, except that of the members first appointed, one shall be appointed for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, one for a term of three years, ~~one~~ AND TWO for a term of four years, and ~~one for a term of five years~~, commencing as of the date of their appointment by the Governor. The members shall, annually, elect one member as chairman of the Commission.*

(b) *Any vacancy in the Commission occurring for any reason other than the expiration of term, shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as for an original appointment.*

(c) *Any member of the Commission may be removed from office by the Governor, for cause, upon notice and opportunity to be heard at a public hearing.*

(d) *The members of the Commission shall receive no salaries, but shall be allowed reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties as provided in the annual State budget.*

6. (a) *The Agency shall be under the immediate supervision and direction of a director, who shall be a person qualified by training and experience to direct the work of the agency. The director shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate of Maryland, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.*

(b) *The director shall devote his entire time and attention to the duties of his office and shall not be engaged in any other profession or occupation. He shall receive such salary as shall be provided in the annual State budget.*

7. (a) *The Commission shall have the power:*

(b) *After full and thorough study of any reports and recommendations from the Legislative Council of Maryland and any other pertinent information as may be available to adopt such rules, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, governing the establishment and operation of a State lottery as it deems necessary and desirable in order that a lottery shall be initiated at the earliest feasible and practicable time, and in order that such lottery shall produce the maximum amount of net revenues. The rules shall provide for all matters necessary or desirable for the efficient and economical operation and administration of the lottery and for the convenience of the purchasers of tickets or shares and the holders of winning tickets or shares, and shall include the following requirements and limitations:*

(1) *Regular drawings or selections of winning tickets or shares on NO LESS THAN a weekly basis;*

(2) *No persons under the age of twenty-one (21) years licensed as agents to sell tickets or shares;*

(3) *Apportionment of the total revenues accruing from the sale of tickets or shares and from all other sources as provided in Section 20 of this article.*