

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments

409.

(b) (1) The Commission shall consist of nine members appointed by the ~~SECRETARY--OF--ECONOMIC--AND--COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT,--WITH--THE--APPROVAL--OF--THE~~ Governor WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE FOR TERMS OF 4 YEARS EACH.

(2) ANY COMMISSIONER MAY BE REAPPOINTED, EXCEPT THAT ANY COMMISSIONER WHO HAS SERVED TWO CONSECUTIVE 4 YEAR TERMS SHALL MAY NOT BE REAPPOINTED UNTIL AT LEAST 1 YEAR AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THAT COMMISSIONER'S PRIOR TENURE.

(3) IF FOR ANY REASON A COMMISSIONER FAILS TO SERVE OR COMPLETE ANY TERM, THE ~~SECRETARY--OF--ECONOMIC--AND--COMMUNITY--DEVELOPMENT,--WITH--THE--APPROVAL--OF--THE~~ GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE, SHALL APPOINT A SUCCESSOR TO SERVE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM.

(4) The appointees shall represent the entire Maryland community, and they shall have knowledge of Afro-American culture and history; be sensitive to the problems of minority communities; and be connected with agencies working to integrate minority history and culture into the history of Maryland and our American culture.

[(2)] (5) The [Governor, from time to time, shall designate] COMMISSIONERS SHALL ELECT ANNUALLY a chairman and vice-chairman from among the members of the Commission.

[(3)] (6) The Commission shall meet at the call of [either] the chairman [or], a majority of the members, OR THE SECRETARY OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

[(4)] (7) Members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for their services [as such], but they may be reimbursed for proper and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties on the Commission in accordance with the standard travel regulations.

(f) [The Commission may appoint and determine the compensation of personnel it deems necessary, subject to the approval of the Board of Public Works or as provided for in the budget.]

(1) THE COMMISSIONERS, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, SHALL APPOINT FROM WITHOUT THEIR NUMBER A DIRECTOR OF THE COMMISSION ON AFRO-AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE.