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(c) (1) There is a Commission on Correctional Standards. The Commission is an agency of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

(2) The Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint the 11 members of the Commission, who collectively possess the following qualifications:

(i) Two members shall be Maryland citizens who are not directly employed in the field of corrections;

(ii) Two members shall be State government correctional personnel;

(iii) Two members shall be local government correctional personnel;

(iv) One member shall be an official or employee of [the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections or a similar] A national correctional accreditation organization;

(v) The Attorney General, Secretary of General Services, and Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning shall be ex officio members;

(vi) One member shall be an elected official from a local governing body.

(3) (i) Each member of the Commission other than the Attorney General, Secretary of General Services, and Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning shall serve a term of office which is 3 years, except that, of the initial members, three shall be appointed for a term of 1 year, three shall be appointed for a term of 2 years, and two shall be appointed for a term of 3 years.

(ii) An ex officio member of the Commission may elect to serve personally at any Commission meeting or may designate a member of his or her department to represent and to act for the ex officio member at any meeting to the same effect as if the ex officio member were personally present.

(4) The Commission, at its initial organizational meeting and thereafter annually, shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman from among its members.

(5) The Commission shall meet at such times as a majority of its members or its chairman may determine.

(6) A simple majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, the performance of any duty, or the exercise of any of its authority.

(7) The members of the Commission shall receive no salary for service on the Commission, but shall be reimbursed, as provided in the budget, for their reasonable expenses lawfully incurred in the performance of their official function in accordance with the Standard State Travel Regulations.