

AS THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONSIDER APPROPRIATE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE BOARD A CLERK, LEGAL COUNSEL, SUPPLIES, AND FUNDING.

(G) SALARY.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY PAY SALARIES TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 253A(d).

In subsection (b)(5) of this section, the reference to a "chairperson" is substituted for the former reference to a "chairman" because SG § 2-1238 requires the use of words that are neutral as to gender to the extent practicable.

In subsection (c)(2) of this section, the reference to "October 1, 2002" is substituted for the former reference to "July 1, 1989" to reflect the effective date of this article.

In the introductory language of subsection (d) of this section, the former phrase "[i]n addition to any powers set forth elsewhere" is deleted as implicit in the grant of powers to the board under subsection (d) of this section. Similarly, in the introductory language of subsection (e) of this section, the former phrase "[i]n addition to any duties set forth elsewhere" is deleted as implicit in the imposition of duties on the board under subsection (e) of this section.

The Criminal Law Article Review Committee notes, for the consideration of the General Assembly, that in subsection (b)(2)(iii) of this section, the requirement to have a member of the clergy on a body created by State law may violate both the federal and State constitutions. The involvement of religion in a regulatory body appears to violate the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. In addition, the requirement may violate Article 37 of the Md. Declaration of Rights, in that it requires a governmental body to have religion as a qualification of office. See Letter of Advice from Attorney General J. Joseph Curran, Jr. to Judge Alan M. Wilner, pp. 6-7 (May 21, 2001).

Defined terms: "Board" § 13-1101

"County commissioners" § 13-1101

"Fundraising organization" § 13-1101

"Gaming device" § 13-1101

"Gaming event" § 13-1101

"Gaming permit" § 13-1101

"Person" §§ 1-101, 13-1101

13-1105. BINGO AND GAMING EVENTS GENERALLY PROHIBITED.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, A PERSON MAY NOT CONDUCT BINGO OR A GAMING EVENT IN THE COUNTY.