

Works in this State. They shall keep a journal of their proceedings, and shall hold regular sessions in the city of Annapolis on the first Wednesday in January, April, July and October, in each year, and oftener if necessary; at which sessions they shall hear and determine such matters as affect the Public Works of the State, and as the General Assembly may confer upon them the power to decide.

SEC. 2. They shall exercise a diligent and faithful supervision of all Public Works in which the State may be interested as stockholder or creditor, and shall, except where herein otherwise provided, appoint the Directors in every rail road or canal company in which the State has the legal power to appoint Directors, which said Directors shall represent the State in all meetings of the stockholders of every rail road or canal company in which the State is a stockholder. They shall require the Directors of all said Public Works (to guard the public interest, and prevent the establishment of tolls which shall discriminate against the interest of the citizens or products of this State) and shall from time to time, and as often as there shall be any change in the rates of toll on any of the said Works, to furnish said Board of Public Works a schedule of such modified rates of toll, and so adjust them as to promote the agricultural interests of the State, they shall report to the General Assembly at each regular session, and recommend such legislation as they may deem necessary and requisite to promote or protect the interests of the State in the said Public Works; they shall perform such other duties as may be hereafter prescribed by law; and a majority of them shall be competent to act. The Governor, Comptroller and Treasurer, shall receive no additional salary for services rendered by them as members of the Board of Public Works.

Sec. 3. Unless the General Assembly of this State shall otherwise direct by law, the Trustees named in a Deed of Mortgage from the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, to Phineas Janney and others, executed on the 5th day of June, 1848, in pursuance of the Act of Assembly of 1844, Chapter 281, and their successors shall be authorized and empowered until the first Monday in June, 1883, to cast the vote of the State of Maryland as a Stockholder in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, at all meetings of the Stockholders of said Company.

*Provided*, however, that no person shall be chosen as President of the said Company who shall not have been for five years immediately preceding his election a citizen and resident of the State of Maryland, and *provided* further, that of the six Directors authorized to be elected by the charter of said Company, five shall have been for five years imme-