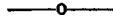


to hold office during the term of the Governor; all other employees are appointed by the Governor to hold office during his pleasure.

Under the State Reorganization Law, which became operative January 1, 1923, the Executive Department was organized and enlarged to include, besides the Secretary of State, the following: Parole Commissioner, The Commissioner of the Land Office, The Superintendent of Public Buildings, The Department of Legislative Reference, The Commissioners for Uniform Laws, The State Librarian.

The Secretary of State, in addition to his statutory duties, is the General Secretary to the Governor. The statutory duties of the Secretary are briefly as follows: His attestation of the Governor's signature to all public documents, commissions, pardons, warrants, proclamations and many other papers and certificates is required; he is the custodian of the records of the Executive Department Certificates; nomination of certain political candidates are required to be filed in his office and their names certified by him to the Election Supervisors for placement upon the ballot; he is a member of the Board of State Canvassers and prepares that Board's minutes and certifications, in addition to keeping the records of their meetings and of the election returns; employees of legislative counsels and agents are required to certify to him, under oath, whatever expenses have been incurred by them in connection with their activities for or against legislation before the General Assembly; he is the custodian of the Great Seal of the State; railroad leases are filed in his office.

It is the duty of the Secretary of State to carry out the Federal and State laws in regard to absentee voting for persons in the Armed Services. Applications from persons in the Armed Services for such ballots should be directed to the Secretary of State. He is also Chairman of the Governor's Committee on Intergovernmental cooperation.



GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL

For the purpose of promoting co-ordination and effective supervision over the conduct of the State Government, the following shall constitute an Advisory Council for the Governor. (Ch. 29, 1922.)

The State Comptroller:

J. Millard Tawes.....Crisfield, Md.

The State Treasurer:

Hooper S. Miles.....Baltimore, Md.

The Attorney General:

William Curran.....Baltimore, Md.

The Chairman of the State Board of Education:

Tasker G. Lowndes.....Cumberland, Md.

The President of the State Board of Agriculture and of the University of Maryland:

Dr. Harry Clifton Byrd.....College Park, Md.

The Department of Correction:

Thomas N. Biddison.....Baltimore, Md.

The Department of Public Welfare:

W. Wallace Lanahan.....Baltimore, Md.

The Director of Health:

Dr. Robert H. Riley.....Baltimore, Md.

The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles:

W. Lee Elgin.....Hagerstown, Md.