

FISCAL RESEARCH BUREAU

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The Fiscal Research Bureau was established by Act of the General Assembly in 1947 within the Department of Legislative Reference. Its general duties include the collection of data on the revenue and appropriations of the political sub-divisions of the State, the study of State and local taxation, the study of State and local fiscal relationships, and assisting State commissions and the committees of the General Assembly on tax and fiscal matters. Each county, incorporated city or town or special taxing district is required to submit a copy of its annual fiscal report to the Bureau (Code 1951, Art. 41, secs. 122-129; Acts 1953, ch. 195).

Appropriations	1953	1954
General Fund	\$28,474	\$28,985

Staff: 3.

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COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PROMOTION OF UNIFORMITY OF LEGISLATION IN THE UNITED STATES

Chairman: C. Walter Cole, 1955

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The Governor, every fourth year, appoints this Board of three Commissioners, who represent Maryland in the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. The Commissioners examine into and ascertain the best means to effect uniformity in the laws of the States. They meet on call of the Chairman to determine what acts to sponsor before the Legislative Council of Maryland. They meet with representatives of the other States in the National Conference to draft laws to be submitted for the approval and adoption of the several States, and to recommend measures for the promotion of uniform legislation. The Commissioners receive no salary but are allowed their actual disbursements for expenses (Code 1951, Art. 41, secs. 130, 131).

Appropriations	1953	1954
General Fund	\$2,700	\$2,000

Staff: None.

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BANK COMMISSIONER

William H. Kirkwood, Jr., Bank Commissioner, 1955

John D. Hospelhorn, Deputy Bank Commissioner

H. E. Meeks, Chief Examiner

Frank L. Wilson, Discount Supervisor

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The office of the Bank Commissioner was created in 1910. The Bank Commissioner is appointed by the Governor for a term of four years. The department has general supervision over all bank-