to encourage and assist the legislative, executive, administrative and judicial officials and employees of this State to develop and maintain friendly contact with officials and employees of the other States, of the Federal government and of local units of government; to endeavor to advance cooperation between this State and other units of government, whenever it seems advisable, formulating proposals for, and facilitating the adoption of compacts, the enactment of uniform or reciprocal statutes or administrative rules or regulations, and the cooperation of governmental officials and officers with one another; and to take such other steps as it may deem advisable to bring the various governments in the United States into closer contact and to develop the Council of State Governments for this purpose. The Commission may establish delegations and committees to formulate proposals for securing intergovernmental harmony and is required by the creating Act to report to the Governor and to the Legislature within fifteen days after the convening of each regular session and at other times deemed appropriate (Code 1951, Art. 40, secs. 15-22).

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

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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. They receive no salary but are allowed their actual disbursements for expenses (Code 1951, Art. 41, secs. 130, 131). The Commissioners meet on call of the chairman to determine what acts to sponsor before the Legislative Council of Maryland. The National Conference drafts laws to be submitted to the legislatures of the several states and recommends measures for the promotion of uniform legislation.

Appropriations	1957	1958
General Funds . Staff: None	\$2,500	\$2,500

ATLANTIC STATES MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION

Commissioners from the State of Maryland:

Chairman, Commission of Tidewater Fisheries: John P. Tawes Appointed by the Commission on Interstate Cooperation: Louis L. Goldstein

Appointed by the Governor: Hopkins Fisher, 1959 Wayne D. Heydecker, Secretary-Treasurer

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The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission is an outgrowth of the "Eastern Conservation Conference" begun in 1937. Seven states, including Maryland, drew up and ratified a compact in 1941. This compact, assented to by the United States Congress and signed by the President in 1942, is the legal basis of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, which today has a membership of fifteen Atlantic Seaboard States.