

examines applicants for the rating of first-class mine foreman and fire boss and issues "certificates of competency" to each successful applicant upon payment of the stipulated fee (Code 1957, Art. 66C, secs. 486-674).

Appropriations	1963	1964
General Funds .....	\$57,439	\$56,647
Staff: 7.		

### WATER POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION

Chairman: Maurice Siegal, 1969

Ex officio members: Robert M. Brown, State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene; Joseph H. Manning, Chairman, Board of Natural Resources; L. Eugene Cronin, Director, Natural Resources Institute, University of Maryland; Ernest A. Vaughn, Director, Department of Game and Inland Fish.

Appointed members: Royal H. Carlock, 1965; George F. Hazelwood, 1967.

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The Water Pollution Control Commission was created by Chapter 697, Acts of 1947 upon the recommendation of the temporary Committee on Water Pollution, which had been designated in 1945 to study the problem of water pollution. The Commission consists of seven members, three of whom are appointed by the Governor for six-year terms. The other four members are the Chairman of the Board of Natural Resources, the Director of the Department of Game and Inland Fish, the Director of the Natural Resources Institute, University of Maryland, and a representative of the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Chairman, who must be one of the appointed members, is designated by the Governor. By act of the 1959 General Assembly, the Water Pollution Control Commission became a member department of the Board of Natural Resources (Acts 1959, chap. 695).

The Commission makes regulations to prevent the pollution of Maryland streams and waters. It investigates all sources of stream pollution. It may request known polluters to correct the situation, and should they fail to comply, the Commission may order them to fulfill the request within a definite period of time. Any polluter who has a complaint or feels a specific hardship in complying may receive a hearing before the Commission. The Commission has collected data about municipal sewage disposal and about stream pollution in the various regions of the State. The Commission is located in the State Office Building in Annapolis and maintains in that location a laboratory where it determines through chemical analysis the amount and cause of water pollution (Code 1957, Art. 66C, secs. 34-45).

Appropriations	1963	1964
General and Special Funds....	\$231,231	\$275,992
Staff: 21.		

### STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Chairman: Gordon M. Cairns, Ph.D.

Dean of Agriculture, University of Maryland

Ex officio members: T. B. Symons, State Board of Agriculture; Irvin C. Haut, Director, Agricultural Experiment Station;