

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

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The General Assembly, by Chapter 264, Acts of 1896, established the Commission for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation. The Governor, every four years, appoints 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 1957, Art. 41, secs. 153, 154). 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	1963	1964
General Funds .....	\$3,000	\$3,000
Staff: None.		

**INTERSTATE COMMISSION ON THE POTOMAC RIVER BASIN**

**Representatives from the State of Maryland:**

J. Millard Tawes, Governor; George F. Hazelwood, 1965; H. Winship Wheatley, Jr., 1965; L. Eugene Cronin, Alternate, 1965; Christian Heurich, Jr., Alternate, 1965; Paul W. McKee, Alternate to the Governor, 1965.

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The Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin was established by an Act of Congress in 1940, and the compact was ratified by the participating states shortly thereafter. Maryland ratified by Chapter 320, Acts of 1939. The Commission is composed of representatives from the United States Government, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. The representatives from Maryland include the Governor and two members, residents of the Potomac River Conservancy District, who are appointed by the Governor for two-year terms (Code 1957, Art. 43, secs. 407, 408). The Commission has jurisdiction over the Potomac River Conservancy District, which was created by the enabling Act. The District embraces an area of approximately 14,500 square miles with an estimated population of 2,500,000. The Commission (1) coordinates, tabulates, and summarizes existing data on the character, pollution, and condition of streams in the Conservancy District; (2) supplements existing data, when necessary, by conducting investigations; (3) promotes adoption by the signatory bodies of uniform legislation for the control of stream pollution; (4) disseminates information to the public on the effects of stream pollution and the objectives of the Commission; (5) cooperates with other organizations in studies of treatment methods for sewage and industrial wastes; (6) recommends to signatory bodies standards for cleanliness of streams.

The Interstate Commission is now in the process of amending the compact to enable it to function not only in water pollution control matters, but also in water resources conservation in the Basin. Mary-