

violations of the law, and institutes legal action to prosecute offenders (Code 1957, Art. 83, secs. 128-65).

Appropriations	1965	1966
General Funds	\$89,501	\$91,479
Staff: 13.		

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF MOTION PICTURE CENSORS

Chairman: Norman C. Mason, 1968
 Vice Chairman: Rosalyn M. Shecter, 1967
 Secretary: Mary Avara, 1966
 Elwood L. Gebhart, Executive Assistant

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This Board, established by Chapter 209, Acts of 1916, consists of a chairman, vice chairman, and secretary, all appointed by the Governor, by and with the consent of the Senate, for three-year terms. The Board examines or supervises the examination of all film, excepting newsreels, to be exhibited or used in the State of Maryland, and disapproves such as are obscene or tend in its judgment to debase or corrupt morals or incite to crimes.

The Board furnishes an official approval seal which must be displayed on the screen when the picture is shown (Code 1957, Art. 66A).

Appropriations	1965	1966
General Funds	\$71,913	\$71,241
Staff: 12.		

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman: Solomon Liss, 1971
 Edward D. Storm, 1967; Charles E. Edmondson, 1969
 Rudolf A. Carrico, General Counsel, 1967
 Harrison M. Robertson, Jr., People's Counsel
 Wilson B. Stringer, Executive Secretary
 Hugh H. Hunter, Chief Engineer
 Thomas E. Cosgrove, Jr., Chief Auditor
 Joseph S. A. Giardina, Director of Transportation

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The Public Service Commission, established by Chapter 180, Acts of 1910, is composed of three members appointed by the Governor for six-year terms, one term expiring every two years. The Governor also appoints the General Counsel for a six-year term and the People's Counsel, who serves at the pleasure of the Governor (Code 1957, Art. 78, secs. 5, 6, 12, 14). The Public Service Commission has jurisdiction over common carriers, including steam and electric railroads, street railways, sleeping car companies, bus lines, express companies, steamboat companies, power boats, ferry companies, carriers by aircraft, toll bridges, and all carriers, generally, engaged in the public transportation of passengers or freight within the State of Maryland, except those carriers of passengers which come within the jurisdiction of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission (Acts 1959, Ch. 613); and over all taxicabs operating in the City of Baltimore and Baltimore County. The Commission also exercises jurisdiction over all gas, electric, telephone, telegraph, water, sewage disposal, heating and refrigerating companies operating within the State. The Commission has the power to fix both minimum and maximum rates and to sus-