

WOR-WIC TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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The Wor-Wic Tech Community College was established by the State Board of Community Colleges in 1975 as a vocational-technical community college "Without walls" for Wicomico and Worcester counties, with the prior approval of both county governments. The Board of Trustees consists of seven members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. One member must represent the Board of Education of each of the two counties. Members serve six year terms (Code 1957, 1975 Repl. Vol., 1976 Supp., Art. 77A, sec. 2A).

Staff: 1976, 14; 1977, 18.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION COMMISSION

Chairman: G. Howlett Cobourn, 1980

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The Workmen's Compensation Commission, created by Chapter 800, Acts of 1914 as the State Industrial Accident Commission, received its present name by Chapter 584, Acts of 1957. Under the provisions of Chapter 238, Acts of 1961, the Commission was increased from five to seven members, all of whom must be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate for terms of twelve years.

Like its predecessor, the Commission administers the Workmen's Compensation Law. It hears contested cases and holds hearings throughout the State; it receives reports of accidents and adjudicates claims for compensation arising under the law; and it investigates companies and firms which fail to carry insurance under the terms of the Act. The Chairman sits on the trial of cases when his administrative and executive functions permit (Code 1957, 1964 Repl. Vol., Art. 101, secs. 1, 2, 5, 16, 38-40).

In recent years, the General Assembly has made many important changes in the Workmen's Compensation Act. Among the most important have been acts increasing maximum temporary disability payment to one hundred percent of State average weekly wage; increasing maximum permanent total disability payments to one hundred percent of State average weekly wage; and increasing the maximum total payable for total disability to \$45,000; provided, however, that if the employee's total disability shall continue after a total of \$45,000 has been paid, then further weekly payments at the rate previously paid shall be paid to him during such disability.

Other laws have broadened the law in hernia cases; established a broad form of a Subsequent Injury Fund; and removed limitations on payments of medical expenses. In 1951, the Act included many additional payments; also, for the first time, Maryland came to be what is known as a nonscheduled State for Occupational Diseases. In 1965,