

for the first two years, another for the first four years, and another for the first six years following the passage and approval of this Act. Thereafter the term shall be six years. Each Commissioner shall devote his entire time to the duties of the office, and shall not hold any position of trust or engage in any occupation or business interfering or inconsistent with his duties as such Commissioner, or serve on or under any committee of a political party. Each Commissioner shall hold office until his successor shall be appointed and shall have qualified. Vacancies shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term. A decision on any question arising under this article concurred in by two of the Commissioners shall be the decision of the Commission. The Governor may at any time remove any Commissioner from office for inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office. Before such removal he shall give such Commissioner a copy of the charges against him and shall fix a time when he can be heard in his own defense, either in person or by counsel, which shall not be less than ten days thereafter, and such hearing shall be open to the public. The Governor shall designate a member of said Commission as Chairman thereof. The principal office of the Commission shall be in the City of Baltimore, but branch offices may be established at other places in the State for the purpose of administering this article.*

1914, ch. 800, sec. 2.

2. A majority of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and a vacancy shall not impair the right of the remaining members to exercise all the powers of the full Commission, so long as a majority remains. Any investigation, inquiry or hearing which the Commission is authorized to hold, or undertake, may be held or undertaken by or before any one member of the Commission, and every order made by a member thereof, when approved and confirmed by a majority of the members and so shown on its record of proceedings, shall be deemed to be the order of the Commission.

1914, ch. 800, sec. 3.

3. The salary of each of the Commissioners shall be three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) *per annum*, and shall be paid out of the State Treasury, and in addition to the said sum of \$3,000 *per annum*, each of said Commissioners shall also receive the sum of \$2,000 *per annum* which shall be paid out of its funds by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to each of said Commissioners as employes of said municipal corporation. In addition to the salary provided in this Section, each Commissioner shall be allowed his actual and necessary traveling and incidental expenses.

*See footnote on page 971.