

shall be known as "The State Board of Prison Control." The said State Board of Prison Control shall consist of three members, who shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation, who shall each be not less than thirty years of age, and who shall each have been for four years next preceding his appointment a resident and qualified voter of the State of Maryland. The first appointments hereunder shall be made by the Governor as soon as this sub-title becomes effective, without the necessity of confirmation by the Senate, but subsequent appointments shall be by and with the advice and consent of the Senate as aforesaid. One of said Board shall hold office for two years from the beginning of the term of his office and until his successor shall qualify; and one of said Board shall hold office for four years from the beginning of his term of office and until his successor shall qualify; and one of said Board shall hold office for six years from the beginning of his term of office and until his successor shall qualify.

The Governor, at the time of making and announcing the appointment of the said three members of the Board of Prison Control, as well as in the commission issued by him to each of them, shall designate which of said Board shall serve for the term of two years and which shall serve for the term of four years, and which shall serve for the term of six years, and also which shall be Chairman of said Board. Upon the expiration of each of said terms, the term of office of each member of said Board shall be six years from the time of his appointment and qualification, and until his successor shall qualify.

Vacancies in said Board shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

In the event that the term of office above ascertained and prescribed for each of said members of the Board shall, in respect to any of said members, be held and decided by the Court of Appeals of Maryland to be in excess of the period or term of office allowed or permitted by the Constitution of Maryland, then in such event the term of office of each of said members shall be, and this sub-title hereby declares and determines that the term of office of each of them shall be, for the period of two years from and after the date of their appointment, and until their successors respectively qualify according to law; and in such event, the term of office of each succeeding member of said Board shall be for two years and until his successor qualifies.

The Governor may remove any member of said Board for inefficiency, neglect of duty or misconduct in office, giving to him a copy of the charges preferred against him, and the opportunity of being publicly heard in person or by counsel in his own defense, upon not less than ten days' notice. If such member shall be removed, the Governor shall file in the office of the Secretary of State a complete statement of all charges made against such member and his findings thereon, together with a complete record of the proceedings.