

members appointed by the Governor shall be two years, the first of such appointments of two members to be made on June 1, 1939, and they shall serve without compensation, but shall be paid their actual expenses incurred in and incident to the performance of their duties as hereinafter set forth. This State shall contribute to the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin its *pro-rata* share of the expenses of said Commission, which shall be such sums as may be appropriated for the purpose in the State Budget, but not less than the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) per year for the two years next succeeding June 1, 1939.

The Governor of the State is hereby authorized and directed to execute a compact on behalf of the State of Maryland with the other States and the District hereinabove referred to, who may by their legislative bodies so authorize a compact in form substantially as follows:

A COMPACT.

WHEREAS, it is recognized that abatement of existing pollution and the control of future pollution of interstate streams can best be promoted through a joint agency representing the several states located wholly or in part within the area drained by any such interstate stream; and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has given its consent to the States of Maryland and West Virginia, the Commonwealths of Pennsylvania and Virginia, and the District of Columbia to enter into a compact providing for the creation of a conservancy district to consist of the drainage basin of the Potomac River and the main and tributary streams therein, for "the purpose of regulating, controlling, preventing, or otherwise rendering unobjectionable and harmless the pollution of the waters of said Potomac drainage area by sewage and industrial and other wastes";

Now Therefore, the States of Maryland and West Virginia, the Commonwealths of Pennsylvania and Virginia, and the District of Columbia, hereinafter designated signatory bodies, do hereby create the Potomac Valley Conservancy District, hereinafter designated the Conservancy District, comprising all of the area drained by the Potomac River and its tributaries; and also, do hereby create the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, hereinafter designated the Commission, under the articles of organization as set forth below.

ARTICLE I.

The Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin shall consist of three members from each signatory body and three members appointed by the President of the United States. Said Commissioners, other than those appointed by the President, shall be chosen in a manner and for the terms provided by law of the signatory body from which they are appointed and shall serve without compensation from the Commission but shall be paid by the Commission their actual expenses incurred and incident to the performance of their duties.

(A) The Commission shall meet and organize within thirty days after the effective date of this compact, shall elect from its number a chairman and vice-chairman, shall adopt suitable by-laws, shall make, adopt and promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary for its management and control, and shall adopt a seal.

(B) The Commission shall appoint and at its pleasure, remove or discharge such officers and legal, engineering, clerical, expert and other as-