

Maryland (1939 Edition), title "State Planning Commission", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

1. The State Planning Commission is hereby created. The Commission shall consist of nine (9) members who shall be selected as follows: one shall be a member of the State Roads Commission or the Chief Engineer of the Commission, whichever shall be designated by the Governor; one shall be a member of the State Board of Health or the Director of Health, whichever shall be designated by the Governor; one shall be a member of the State Board of Public Welfare or the Director of Public Welfare, whichever shall be designated by the Governor, each of the persons so designated by the Governor shall be appointed for a term of four years, which shall begin upon the date of appointment and shall terminate on June 1st, 1951, and thereafter shall be appointed for terms of four years; the Chairman of the Legislative Council and the Chief Engineer of the State of Maryland shall be ex-officio members of the Commission; the other four members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Governor who shall make such appointments, so that one member shall be from Western Maryland, one from Southern Maryland, one from Central Maryland (including Baltimore City) and one from the Eastern Shore, which last four members shall be appointed in such manner that the term of one of such members shall be one year, one shall be for a term of two years, one shall be for a term of three years and one for a term of four years, all of whose terms shall begin June 1, 1947, and thereafter their successors shall be appointed for four-year terms. In case of a vacancy, the Governor shall make an appointment for the unexpired term in accordance with the above provisions.

All members shall serve without compensation but shall be allowed any reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties under this Article. The Governor shall designate the Chairman of the Commission. The Commission shall maintain offices which may be located in an office of an existing State Department. Five members shall constitute a quorum and no action shall be taken or rejected without the concurring vote of a majority of the members present. The Commission shall keep permanent and complete records of its proceedings, meetings, hearings and decisions. The Commission is hereby authorized to appoint and employ such persons as may be required for the performance of its powers and may incur any other necessary expenses within the limits of such funds as may be provided therefor.