

as to make the Council representative of all sections of the State and of the relative party membership in each House. The President of the Senate shall be Chairman of the Council, and the Speaker of the House shall be Vice-Chairman. The Director of the Department of Legislative Reference shall be the Secretary and the Director of Research of the Council.

(3) Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Council other than in the offices of Chairman and Vice-Chairman while the General Assembly is not in session shall be filled by appointment of the President of the Senate from among the members of the Senate, if the vacancy is caused by the resignation or death of a member of the Council from the Senate, and by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, if the vacancy is caused by the resignation or death of a member of the Council from the House of Delegates, the appointments to be made in accordance with the provisions of Sub-sections (1) and (2). If the vacancy in the membership of the Council is caused by the resignation or death of the Chairman or Vice-Chairman, the vacancy in such membership shall be filled by the members of the Council from the membership of the Senate or the House of Delegates, as the case may be. In case of vacancy in the office of Chairman, the Vice-Chairman shall become Chairman and the members of the Council shall elect one of its members Vice-Chairman in his stead; and in the case of a vacancy in the office of both Chairman and Vice-Chairman, the members of the Council shall elect one of its members Chairman and one of its members Vice-Chairman.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed by a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 2, 1947.

CHAPTER 298.

(House Bill 178)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sub-section (22) "Police Power" of Section 6 of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland and Baltimore City