

public business when an emergency arises and time will not permit of the securing of the consent of the Commissioner and the appointment by him of a person, appoint any qualified person during the emergency for a period not exceeding sixty days. Persons thus appointed shall be known as emergency employees. Prompt report shall be made to the Commissioner of emergency appointments and such appointments shall not be renewed. Provided, however, that for the duration of any war in which the United States may be engaged or of any nationally declared emergency and for such period thereafter as in the discretion of the Commissioner, with the approval of the Governor, an emergency exists, the Commissioner may extend the period of emergency employment when the positions cannot otherwise be filled; no person so employed shall be eligible for membership in the State Employees' Retirement System but shall be entitled to the benefits of the Workmen's Compensation Laws.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1947.

Approved April 16, 1947.

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CHAPTER 493.

(Senate Bill 46)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 16, 17 and 18 of Article 2A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition and 1943 Supplement), title "Agriculture", sub-title "Agricultural Fair Associations", relating to the Maryland State Fair Board.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 16, 17 and 18 of Article 2A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition and 1943 Supplement), title "Agriculture", sub-title "Agricultural Fair Associations", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

16. The Maryland State Fair Board, to be composed of nine members, is hereby created. Said members shall be representative of all phases of the agricultural interest of this State, shall serve without compensation and shall be appointed by the Governor. Upon the appointment of the original members to said Board, the Governor shall designate three of such members to serve for one year, three to serve for two