

CHAP. 302.

Building
commission
appointed.

Campbell, John D. F. Mathias, Thomas J. C. Williams and Ferdinand C. Latrobe be and they are hereby constituted a Building Commission for the purpose of constructing and erecting an addition to the present State House, in Annapolis, in which shall be located the State Senate Chamber and the Hall of the House of Delegates, and for such other purposes as may be deemed proper.

Ex officio
members.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the members of the Board of Public Works shall be *ex-officio* members of said Building Commission, and the Governor of the State shall be president of said Building Commission, and all vacancies in said Commission, whether from death, resignation, refusal to act, or otherwise, shall be filled by the Board of Public Works.

Organize and
select a
secretary,
etc.
Sealed
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invited.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That as soon after the passage of this Act as possible, said Building Commission shall organize and select a secretary, and proceed to procure plans and specifications for said addition to said State House, and as soon as said plans and specifications for said building are determined upon, the said Building Commission shall invite sealed proposals by advertisement for a reasonable time in two of the daily newspapers of Baltimore city for the construction and completion of said building and the heating of the same, which proposals shall be sent in sealed envelopes in care of the Governor of the State, addressed to said Building Commission, and shall be publicly opened by said Commission on the day named in said advertisement; said proposals shall set forth the amount of money for which the party or parties proposing will complete the building according to the plans and specifications, and the time or times at which payment therefor shall be made, and the time or times when said building will be completed; and the said Building Commission shall award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders, upon such bidder or bidders giving bond to the State of Maryland in such penalty as said Building Commission shall determine, conditioned for the faithful discharge and execution of the contract entered into, which bond shall be liable at the suit of the State of Maryland for the violation of its conditions; and said Building Commission is hereby authorized and required to employ a skillful and competent architect, under whose control and supervision as to workmanship said building shall be erected; and said Building Commission shall in like manner determine upon proper means of heating and of furnishing said building, and shall at such time as said Commission may deem proper advertise for proposals for furnishing the necessary heating apparatus for said building, and in the like manner for the