

6. County Boards of Education shall be composed in the Counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Dorchester, Washington and Montgomery of six members, and in each of the other counties of three members, who shall be appointed from the citizens of the county by the Governor for a term of six years from the first Monday of May next succeeding their appointment, and they shall hold office until their successors qualify. Provided that the terms of office of persons who are members of the County Boards at the time when this act shall take effect shall not be affected by its provisions; and provided further in order that the length of the first six regular appointments under this section in the Counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Dorchester, Washington and Montgomery, and the first three regular appointments in the other counties shall be so designated by the Governor that there shall thereafter be one regular vacancy and one regular appointment each year in the counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Dorchester, Washington and Montgomery, and one regular vacancy and one regular appointment every two years in each of the other counties, the Governor shall appoint in the first instance only two members in the Counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Dorchester, Washington and Montgomery, one of whom he shall designate to hold office for the term of six years, and the other for the term of five years, from the first Monday in May, 1918; and in each of the other counties he shall appoint in the first instance only one member to hold office for the term of six years, from the first Monday in May, 1918; before the first Monday in May, 1920, he shall appoint two members in the Counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Dorchester, Washington and Montgomery for a term of five and six years, respectively, and one member in each of the other counties for a term of six years, from the first Monday in May, 1920. And before the first Monday in May, 1922, he shall appoint two members in the Counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Dorchester, Washington and Montgomery, for a term of five and six years respectively, and one member in each of the other counties for a term of six years, from the first Monday in May, 1922. Thereafter, the term of each member appointed to the Boards from each county shall be six years. The members of the Boards shall be appointed solely because of their character and fitness, but no person shall be appointed to a Board who is in any way subject to its authority. The State Superintendent of schools, by and with the approval of the