

Commissioners of the Counties of this State to carry out the provisions of this Act in their respective Counties, and providing for the levying of a tax for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* There is hereby created a Board to be known as the Board for Mothers' Relief for Baltimore City, to consist of three members, not more than two of whom shall be of the same sex, to be appointed by the Mayor of Baltimore City for a term of four years as hereinafter provided and until their successors have been appointed and qualified. The Board for Mothers' Relief shall sit at such times and as often as the business before it justifies and if any member shall absent himself or herself from five (5) consecutive meetings without giving a satisfactory excuse to the Board, his or her office shall become vacant and the Mayor shall make an appointment to fill such vacancy. The salary of the members of the Board shall be five dollars (\$5) per day for each member, for each and every day the Board shall sit, and in addition, the necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of his or her duties.

Within thirty days after the passage of this Act the Mayor of Baltimore City shall appoint one member for a period of two years, one for a period of three years, and one for a period of four years, and thereafter as these terms expire, the Mayor shall make such appointment for a term of four years. The Board shall choose from among its members a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman and a Treasurer.

The Board shall have the power to employ a Secretary, and a Stenographer. The salary of the Secretary shall be Twelve Hundred dollars (\$1,200) per year and that of the Stenographer One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) per year.

The duties of the Secretary and Stenographer shall be to conduct the correspondence of the Board, keep a record of its business, assist in investigations of applications, and keep on file applications and such other business as the Board may direct. The Board for Mothers' Relief for Baltimore City shall have an office allotted it in the City Hall of Baltimore City, in the Court House of Baltimore City or in such other municipal building as may be obtained.

It shall be the duty of the Board for Mothers' Relief for Baltimore City to investigate every application for relief, to hear all witnesses for applicants and to carry out the provisions of