

Governor of Maryland is authorized to appoint a commission to be known as the Water Resources Commission of Maryland, to consist of seven members. The commission shall elect its own chairman and other necessary officers and staff. The members of the commission shall serve without pay, but may designate such members of its staff for compensation within its budget appropriation as it may consider wise.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That said commission is hereby authorized and directed to make such study of the underground and surface water resources in the State of Maryland as may enable it to make recommendations as to the advisability of establishing a policy for the State of Maryland for the preservation and allocation of water supply resources for all purposes and for the maximum benefit and use of the citizens of Maryland; to recommend a plan and submit an estimate of cost for the development of a program for stream flow measurement, recording and publication; to recommend a policy, if necessary, for the establishment of State supervision of the location, design and construction of water supply dams and reservoirs in the State of Maryland; to recommend a plan, if necessary for developing river improvements so as to prevent damaging floods; to recommend a policy for the future control of actual and potential public water supply resources; to recommend a plan for the regulation of stream flows by storage reservoirs or other means; to survey the necessity for creating water service districts.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Water Resources Commission is hereby authorized and directed to present in writing to the General Assembly of Maryland of 1933 a report setting forth its recommendations as to policy, legislation and methods of financing for the full preservation of the water supply resources of the State of Maryland.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1931.

Approved April 17, 1931.

CHAPTER 248.

AN ACT to authorize the creation of a State debt in the aggregate amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000), the proceeds thereof to be used for the construction and reconstruc-