

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a commission on Baltimore Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Markets is hereby created. The Commission shall consist of thirteen members appointed by the Governor to serve until June 1, 1945. The Governor shall make the appointments from nominations made as follows: One such member shall be so appointed from nominations to be made by the State Board of Agriculture; three such members shall be so appointed from nominations to be made by the Mayor of the City of Baltimore; one such member shall be appointed from nominations to be made by the Independent Retail Grocers' Association of the City of Baltimore; three such members shall be so appointed from nominations to be jointly made by the Executive Committee of the Maryland State Grange and the Board of Directors of the Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc., at a joint meeting of the two said bodies; two such members shall be engineers, so appointed from nominations to be jointly made by the railroads operating in the Baltimore area; and three such members shall be so appointed from nominations to be jointly made by the Baltimore Fruit and Produce Association and the Baltimore Branch of the National League of Wholesale Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Distributors, at a joint meeting of the two said bodies.

The said State Board of Agriculture and the Independent Retail Grocers' Association shall each submit to the Governor two or more such nominees, the Mayor of the City of Baltimore shall submit six or more such nominees, the said Executive Committee of the Maryland State Grange and the Board of Directors of the Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc., shall jointly submit six or more such nominees, the railroads operating lines in the Baltimore area shall jointly submit four or more such nominees mutually agreed upon by them, and the said Baltimore Fruit and Produce Association and the Baltimore Branch of the National League of Wholesale Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Distributors shall jointly submit six or more such nominees. The Commission shall elect its own chairman. All members shall serve without compensation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Commission:

- (a) To undertake studies and surveys of the produce markets of Baltimore, make determinations as to the adequacy of the market facilities and plans for their improvement.
- (b) To formulate a program for improvement of these facilities to eliminate the present congestion and loss of time in handling produce.