

from June 1, 1943. All members shall serve without compensation, but shall be allowed any reasonable expense incurred in the performance of their duties under this Act. The Governor shall designate the Chairman of the Council and the Council itself shall select a Vice-Chairman and other officers. The members of the Council shall be selected so as to represent all sections of the State, and shall include representation from the State Roads Commission, the Automobile Club of Maryland, the Women's Civic League of Maryland, the Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland, the petroleum industry, the out-door advertising business, the State Planning Commission, and the Commission on Post-War Reconstruction and Development; the Association of County Commissioners of the Eastern Shore and the Association of the County Commissioners of the Western Shore.

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

(a) To study and investigate plans, means and methods (1) to reduce the hazards to vehicles, property or persons on or near main highways of the State arising from structures on land near and along the highways, and from the design, location and number of points of access to the highways; (2) to reduce or prevent congestion and interference with traffic on main highways arising from such structures, uses and plans of access; (3) to maintain the traffic carrying capacity of main highways of the State; (4) to preserve the value and permanence of the investment of the State in its main highways; and (5) to increase and preserve the attractiveness and beauty of the main highways and surrounding areas of the State, and their value and usefulness for the citizens of the State, and for tourists.

(b) To correlate its findings and advise the Governor, the Legislative Council, and the Legislature thereof, as well as of its recommendations as to the most practical and feasible way to accomplish the purposes, aims and results which the Council is directed by this Act to bring about.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Council may request and receive from any department, board, bureau, commission or agency of the State, or of any political sub-division thereof, such expert and professional advice, assistance and data as will enable it to properly carry out its activities and effectuate its purposes hereunder, and such State department, board, bureau, commission or agency is authorized and directed to cooperate as far as may be practicable with the Council in the furtherance of its purposes and aims.