

to Article 100 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition and 1947 Supplement), title "Work—Hours of, In Factories," said new section to be known as Sections 79 to 82, 83, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 78 thereof and to be under the new sub-title "State Contracts," all to read as follows:

*State Contracts*

79. THERE IS HEREBY CREATED A COMMISSION, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "COMMISSION ON PREVAILING WAGES FOR THE STATE OF MARYLAND," WHOSE DUTY IT SHALL BE TO FIX AND DETERMINE, FROM TIME TO TIME, THE GENERALLY PREVAILING WAGE RATES IN THE DIFFERENT AREAS OR LOCALITIES WITHIN THE STATE OF MARYLAND. THIS COMMISSION SHALL BE COMPOSED OF SIX MEMBERS WHO SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR. TWO MEMBERS OF SAID COMMISSION SHALL BE REPRESENTATIVES OF LABOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, THE OTHER FOUR MEMBERS SHALL BE EX OFFICIO MEMBERS, WITH EQUAL POWERS, AND SHALL INCLUDE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND AND A MEMBER OF THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION, PROVIDED THAT ANY OF THE FOUR MEMBERS LAST MENTIONED MAY DESIGNATE FROM TIME TO TIME A MEMBER OF HIS, HER OR ITS STAFF TO REPRESENT SAID MEMBER ON SAID COMMISSION. THE TERM OF THE LABOR REPRESENTATIVES SHALL COMMENCE FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT AND END ON JUNE 30, 1951, AND THEREAFTER, THE TERM OF SUCH MEMBERS SHALL BE FOR FOUR YEARS. THE EX OFFICIO MEMBERS SHALL SERVE AS LONG AS THEY REMAIN IN THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITIES. THE MEMBERS SHALL RECEIVE NO COMPENSATION FOR THEIR SERVICES BUT SHALL BE ALLOWED SUCH TRAVEL AND OTHER EXPENSES AS SHALL BE NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THEIR DUTIES. THE GOVERNOR SHALL DESIGNATE ONE OF SUCH MEMBERS AS CHAIRMAN AND THE COMMISSION SHALL HOLD SUCH MEETINGS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PERFORM ITS DUTIES. THE COMMISSION SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO DIVIDE THE STATE AND, FROM TIME TO TIME, TO RE-DIVIDE THE STATE INTO VARIOUS LOCALITIES OR AREAS