

tated Code of Maryland (1939 Ed.), title "Militia," sub-title "Veterans' Relief Fund," be and the same are hereby repealed, and that four new Sections be, and they are hereby enacted in lieu thereof, said new Sections to be known as Sections 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Article 96½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as said Article was added to said Code by the 1945 General Assembly of Maryland, title "Veterans," sub-title "Relief Fund," to follow immediately after Section 2 of said Article 96½, and to read as follows:

### RELIEF FUND

3. The Governor shall appoint a Commission, known as the "Maryland Veterans Commission," to be composed of five Maryland Veterans, one of whom shall be designated by the Governor as Chairman. The State Commander of the American Legion, The State Commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars, The State Commander of Disabled American War Veterans, and The State Commander of Spanish War Veterans shall constitute an Advisory Committee to the Commission, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor; without vote.

The members of the Commission as thus constituted shall serve without pay; members of the Commission shall be paid actual traveling expenses necessitated by their duties, when authorized and approved by the Commission.

The Maryland Veterans Commission shall make such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary for administration and disbursement of such Veterans' Relief Funds as are provided for in the Budget, and the State Service Officer, hereinafter provided for, shall approve all bills and vouchers before payment by the Comptroller.

There shall be a Committee of four persons, to be known as the Advisory Maryland Veterans Committee, composed of the current Department Commanders, respectively, of The American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled War Veterans of America and the Spanish-American War Veterans. Members of such Committee shall serve without pay. Said Committee shall advise and work with the Maryland Veterans Commission in the duties imposed upon them by this sub-title, but shall not be members of the Commission.

4. A Veterans' Relief Fund of such amount as may be included in the Budget may be expended to provide the necessities of life for such Maryland Veterans of the World Wars or any other war, or the widows and infant children of Veterans as are sick, disabled or indigent, and who are without means to pay for said necessities or for proper