

and by providing for cooperation with the federal authorities in the development of a national system of civil aviation and with the county and municipal authorities in the development of aviation in the State for the coordination of the aeronautical activities of those authorities and the authorities of this State.

COMMISSION

3. (Aviation Commission.)

(a) (Creation, Membership.) There is hereby created the "State Aviation Commission of Maryland", consisting of five members, to be appointed by the Governor, for a term of three years, the members of said Commission to serve without compensation. One member shall be designated as Chairman by the Governor.

The present members of the State Aviation Commission of Maryland are hereby authorized to continue in office until the termination date of their present appointments. The successors of the present members shall be appointed for terms of three years in the same manner as the members originally appointed, except that any person appointed to fill a vacancy prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of such term. Each member shall serve until the appointment and qualification of his successor. All members of the Commission shall be citizens and bona fide residents of the State.

At least two members shall hold at the time of their appointment valid federal airman certificates in the grade of private pilot or higher.

No member shall receive any salary for his services but each shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred by him in the performance of his duties.

The members of the Commission may be removed by the Governor for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office, upon being given notice in writing of the charge or charges made against him and an opportunity to appear in person and with counsel for the purpose of making such defense thereto as he may have.

(b) (Director of Aeronautics, Other Employees.)

(1) (Director — Appointment, Qualifications, Compensation.) A Director of Aeronautics shall be appointed by the Commission who shall serve for an indefinite term at the pleasure of the Commission. He shall be appointed with due regard to his fitness, by aeronautical education, and by knowledge of and recent practical experience in aeronautics, for the efficient dispatch of the powers and duties duly vested in