

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1960.

Approved March 2, 1960.

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CHAPTER 37

(House Bill 57)

AN ACT to add new Article 2C to the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), to follow immediately after Article 2B thereof, and to be entitled "Alcoholism", providing for the creation of a State Commission on Alcoholism, for its members and their tenure, for the powers and duties of the Commission, for employees thereof, and relating generally to the Commission and to the problem of Alcoholism in the State.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That new Article 2C be and it is hereby added to the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), to follow immediately after Article 2B thereof, to be entitled "Alcoholism" and to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2C

*Commission on Alcoholism*

1. *Legislative Intent.*

*Alcoholism is hereby recognized as an illness and a public health problem affecting the general welfare and economy of the State. Alcoholism is further recognized as an illness subject to treatment and recovery and the sufferer of alcoholism is recognized as one worthy of treatment and rehabilitation. The need for proper and sufficient laws, facilities, programs and procedures within the State of Maryland for the control and treatment of alcoholism is hereby recognized.*

2. (a) *There is hereby created a Commission to be known as the Maryland Commission on Alcoholism. The Commission shall be appointed by the Governor and shall consist of seven (7) members, of whom one member each shall be a resident of the Eastern Shore, Southern Maryland, Central Maryland and Western Maryland, and three (3) members shall be residents of Baltimore City. At least two members shall be doctors (and one of these shall be a psychiatrist) one a lawyer or judge, and two shall be selected because of their personal interest in the problem of alcoholism. Each member of the Commission shall serve for one year. The Governor shall designate one of said seven members as Chairman of the Commission.*

(b) *The members of the Commission shall not receive any compensation for their services but shall be paid their reasonably necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.*

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.