

to follow immediately after Section 202 thereof, and to read as follows:

202A.

*The Economic Development Commission of Washington County is hereby created for the purpose of advancing the general welfare of the people through programs and activities to develop Washington County's natural resources and economic opportunities pertaining to commerce, agriculture, forestry, MINERAL EXTRACTION AND PROCESSING, transportation, travel, tourism and recreation, and to cooperate and offer assistance to existing industries and businesses, and to promote and encourage the establishing and locating of new industries and businesses in Washington County and other matters intended to foster and develop gainful employment and the pursuit of happiness of all who are now or may hereafter be residents of Washington County.*

202B.

*The Commission shall consist of not less than eleven nor more than fifteen members, who shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. The members shall represent a cross-section of the economic composition of Washington County and shall be selected because of their known experience and interest in the development of Washington County. Those organizations representing the same categoric interest shall jointly send to the County Commissioners a list of not less than two nor more than three names of persons duly qualified and interested in serving on the Commission. There shall be on the Commission one member chosen from each of the following categories: Agriculture, Banking, Contracting, Labor, Manufacturing, Real Estate, Retailing, Transportation, Travel and Tourist, and two from the public at large. The County Commissioners shall not select any person not on a list submitted by interested organizations except for the two positions representing the public at large. The public at large positions on the Commission can be made by any resident of Washington County by submitting in writing to the County Commissioners nominations and the County Commissioners shall give all reasonable and fair consideration to the nominations submitted but are not required to choose from names submitted for the public at large positions on the Commission. The Commission when it deems necessary for the successful operation of its program shall determine what other categoric interests should be represented on the Commission, and shall ask the County Commissioners to select a person to represent the said categoric interest by following the procedure as outlined in this section and provided that no more than the maximum number of members as set forth in this section shall be appointed to the Commission.*

202C.

*The members of the Commission shall serve for two years from the effective date of this legislation and are eligible for reappointment. They shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary travel and other expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The Commission shall select from its own membership a chairman, vice-chairman, and a secretary-treasurer to serve a term of one year and to be eligible for reelection provided*