

266. *The Commission shall establish its office for the conduct of its affairs at a location to be determined by the Commission within the Metropolitan District and shall publish rules and regulations governing the conduct of its operations.*

ARTICLE IV

267. *The expenses of the Commission shall be borne by the signatories in the manner hereinafter set forth. The Commission shall submit to the Governor of Virginia, the Governor of Maryland and the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, at such time or times as shall be requested, a budget of its requirements for such period as may be required by the laws of the signatories for presentation to the legislature thereof. The expenses of the Commission shall be allocated among the signatories in the proportion that the population of each signatory within the Metropolitan District bears to the total population of the Metropolitan District. The allocation shall be made by the Commission and approved by the Governors of the two states and the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and shall be based on the latest available population statistics of the Bureau of the Census; provided, however, that if current population data are not available, the Commission may, upon the request of any signatory, employ estimates of population prepared in a manner approved by the Commission and by the signatory making such request.*

268. *The signatories agree to appropriate for the expenses of the Commission their proper proportion of the budget determined in the manner set forth herein and to pay such appropriation to the Commission. There shall not be included in the budget of the Commission or in the appropriations therefor any sums for the payment of salaries or expenses of the Commissioners or members of the Traffic and Highway Board created by Article V of this Title I and payments to such persons, if any, shall be within the discretion of each signatory. The provisions of Section 2-27 of the Code of Virginia shall not apply to any official or employee of the Commonwealth of Virginia acting or performing services under this sub-title.*

269. *The expenses allocable to a signatory shall be reduced in an amount to be determined by the Commission if a signatory, upon request of the Commission, makes available personnel, services or material to the Commission which the Commission would otherwise have to employ or purchase. If such services in kind are rendered, the Commission shall return to such signatory an amount equivalent to the savings to the Commission represented by the contribution in kind.*

270. *The Commission shall keep accurate books of account, showing in full its receipts and disbursements, and said books of accounts shall be open at any reasonable time for inspection by such representatives of the respective signatories as may be duly constituted for that purpose.*

ARTICLE V

271. *There is hereby created in addition to the Commission, a Traffic and Highway Board, hereinafter referred to as Board. This*