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(a) It shall be the duty of the Board of Parole and Probation of its own initiative to cause to be made such investigation as may enable [him] *it* to determine the advisability of granting parole to persons sentenced under the laws of this State, to any penal institution therein whenever such prisoner shall have served in confinement [~~one-third~~] *one-fourth* of such term or consecutive terms.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.

Approved May 3, 1961.

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CHAPTER 657

(Senate Bill 362)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 6(a) of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1960 Supplement), title "Public Education", sub-title "Chapter 2. Formation of Boards", AND TO ADD A NEW SECTION 9A TO SAID ARTICLE AND SUB-TITLE (1957 EDITION), TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 9 THEREOF, increasing the number of members on the County Board of Education for Baltimore County and providing for the appointment of the new members; ; AND PROVIDING FOR THE COMPOSITION, APPOINTMENT, AND TERMS OF OFFICE OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR CECIL COUNTY.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 6(a) of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1960 Supplement), title "Public Education", sub-title "Chapter 2. Formation of Boards", be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, AND THAT A NEW SECTION 9A BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY ADDED TO SAID ARTICLE AND SUB-TITLE (1957 EDITION), TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 9 THEREOF, ALL to read as follows:

6(a).

County Boards of education shall be composed in the counties of [~~Baltimore,~~] Carroll, Frederick, Dorchester, and Washington, of six members; in *Baltimore*, Prince George's and Somerset counties of seven members, and in each of the other counties (except Allegany, Anne Arundel, Caroline, CECIL, Charles, Harford, Montgomery, St. Mary's, Wicomico and Talbot for which separate provisions are made in this article), of three members, who shall be appointed from the citizens of the county by the Governor for a term of six years from the first Monday in May next succeeding their appointment, and they shall hold office until their successors qualify. Provided that the terms

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.