

are under consideration, and shall have the right to advise on any question under consideration, but shall have no right to vote.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1966.

Approved April 29, 1966.

CHAPTER 246
(Senate Bill 462)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 16 of Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Supplement), title "County Commissioners", subtitle "General Provisions", amending the laws concerning the filling of vacancies in the office of County Commissioner with particular respect to Allegany County and to the contingency there may be no resident Senator from Allegany County in the Senate of Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 16 of Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Supplement), title "County Commissioners", subtitle "General Provisions", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

16. In case any office of county commissioner shall become vacant in any county by death, resignation or otherwise, the Governor, if such vacancy shall occur during the session of the Senate, shall, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint, and if such vacancy shall occur during the recess of the Senate, he shall appoint a proper person or proper persons to fill such vacancy or vacancies; and the nomination of the person or persons thus appointed during such recess, or of some other person in his or their place, shall be made to the Senate within thirty days after the next meeting of the legislature. The Governor shall nominate or appoint the person to fill such vacancy whose name shall be submitted to him in writing by the State central committee of the political party with which the county commissioner, so vacating, has been affiliated in the particular county, provided that the nominee or appointee shall be of the same political party as the person whose office is to be filled; and it shall be the duty of the Governor to make said nomination or appointment within fifteen days after the submission thereof to him. In the event there is no State central committee in the county in which the vacancy occurs, the Governor shall appoint to fill the vacancy a person who has all the qualifications required for the office of county commissioner in the particular county. *As to Allegany County, if there is no resident Senator from Allegany County in the Senate of Maryland at the time of the appointment, it shall be by and with the advice and consent of the House of Delegates of Maryland.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1966.

Approved April 29, 1966.
