

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 205(2) of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Chancery," subtitle "Uniform Absent Persons' Act," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

205.

(2) After the lapse of five (5) years from the date of the finding provided for in Section 202, subsection (1), *or a lapse of one (1) year when the absentee has been missing for more than twenty (20) years,* if the absentee has not appeared, the court may proceed to take further evidence and thereafter make a final finding and enter a decree declaring that all interest of the absentee in his property has ceased and devolved upon others by reason of his failure to appear and make claim.

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

Approved April 29, 1966.

CHAPTER 419

(House Bill 680)

AN ACT to add new Section 152A to Article 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Annotated Code of Maryland, 1957 Edition (1965 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund Board," to follow immediately after Section 152 thereof to authorize the Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund Board to appoint a full time Manager and Assistant Manager and affix the salary and to prescribe their qualifications and tenure and method of removal of Manager and Assistant Manager.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 152A be and it is hereby added to Article 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Annotated Code of Maryland, 1957 Edition (1965 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund Board" to follow immediately after Section 152 thereof and to read as follows:

152A.

The Board is authorized to appoint a full time Manager and Assistant Manager whose salary shall be fixed by the Board. They shall be persons of high character and integrity. ~~They~~ EACH OF THEM shall be appointed upon the basis of their executive skill and ability and once appointed shall hold office during good behavior regardless of changes in members constituting the Board. ~~They~~ EACH OF THEM shall be removed only for incompetence or immorality upon charges furnished TO THEM in writing by the Board setting forth the grounds for dismissal and after opportunity for hearing.