

Chairman of the Commission. In appointing the members of the Commission, the appointing authorities shall endeavor to select those whose devotion to the County and its people, whose knowledge of government and sense of historical perspective, and whose education and experience especially equip them for membership on the Commission and will assure that the Commission reflects the several interests and regions of the County. In addition to the fifteen (15) members herein provided, the County Commissioners, State Senators and members of the House of Delegates shall serve ex-officio, non-voting members of the Commission and render advisory assistance thereto.

(b) The Commission shall examine the existing structure and form of the county government in light of present and future needs of the people of Frederick County, giving due consideration to the prospective growth of the County and to the character and nature of such growth. It shall meet and hold hearings as often as may be necessary to accomplish this purpose. It shall assemble such data and obtain such technical advisory services as may be needed. With the approval of the ~~County Commissioners,~~ APPOINTING AUTHORITIES, it may obtain the services of the Bureau of Governmental Research of the University of Maryland including a part-time or full-time research assistant. ~~The Commission shall consider and make recommendations concerning all proposals for change in the structure of county government including revision of the County Commissioner system, adoption of charter form of government, code home rule an dany other legal form of government.~~

(c) The Commission is to be appointed by April 1, 1967.

(d) The Commission is directed to report to the ~~County Commissioners, to the State Senators, the members of the House of Delegates~~ APPOINTING AUTHORITIES and the people of Frederick County on or before ~~February~~ JANUARY 1, 1968. Such report shall be in writing and shall include its detailed findings, AND recommendations , ~~and a draft of any suggested changes or instrument of government~~ together with such other pertinent matters as the Commission deems necessary or appropriate. Such report shall also be published and given the widest possible dissemination in the ~~communication's~~ COMMUNICATIONS media of Frederick County.

(e) The Board of County Commissioners shall provide the Commission with such assistance as may be ~~required~~ DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE APPOINTING AUTHORITIES to enable the Commission to carry out its duties under this section including the funds necessary for the Commission to employ an executive secretary to provide full time assistance to the Commission.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall expire automatically on June 1, 1968, without further action on the part of the General Assembly and shall be null and void after said date.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 24, 1967.