

member in question to present a defense in his or her own behalf. Any vacancies occurring in the membership of the Commission for any reason shall be filled as provided in this section for the unexpired portion of the term.]

(d) *Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman; compensation of members.* The annual salary of the chairman of [said] the [c] Commission shall be forty-eight hundred dollars (\$4,800.00); of the vice-chairman, forty-five hundred dollars (\$4,500.00); and of the other members of [said] the [c] Commission forty-two hundred dollars (\$4,200.00), all payable bi-weekly. The chairman and vice-chairman shall perform such duties as the [c] Commission shall from time to time designate. The [c] Commission shall, in June [1959,] 1968, [after the six members have been appointed as herein provided,] and in June every [two] year [s] thereafter, at its first meeting *in that month* or as soon thereafter as possible, elect from among its members a chairman and a vice-chairman, one to be from Prince George's County and one to be from Montgomery County, who shall serve for [two] one year [s] or until their successors are elected and qualified. *The office of chairman, and the office of vice-chairman, shall rotate between the counties, that is to say, at any annual election the chairman for the then ensuing year's term shall be from the county different from the county from whence came the chairman for the expiring year's term, and the same provision shall apply to the office of vice-chairman; provided, however, that upon a unanimous vote of the membership this provision may be waived for one year, but not for two years in succession.* If a vacancy exists in the position of chairman or vice-chairman, the [c] Commission shall elect a new chairman or vice-chairman [.] for the remaining portion of the one year term of such office, and if the vacancy in the position of chairman or vice-chairman involves or was occasioned by that officer's resignation or removal for any reason from membership on the Commission, the election to fill the unexpired portion of the chairman's or vice-chairman's term, as the case may be, shall be held [as the occasion requires] only after the [c] Commission vacancy has been filled.

(e) *Certain procedures.* The Commission shall engage and organize a staff so as to efficiently accomplish the matters within its jurisdiction, as set forth in Section 83-57A (71-4A) [appoint, discharge and fix the compensation of a secretary and a treasurer, who shall not be the same person, a chief engineer, deputy engineer, assistant chief engineers, and division engineers, and such engineering, legal, clerical and other force and help as, from time to time, in its judgment may be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this subtitle. The duties of the secretary shall be prescribed by the commission and shall include the supervision of all the administrative activities of the commission except those relating to engineering and financial matters, acting as liaison between the commission and the public, and in general to promote relations for the commission; the duties of the treasurer, in accordance with directions of the Commission, shall include, but not be limited to, administrative performance and authority to maintain a proper and effective utilities accounting system for all financial transactions of the commission, and to perform such other duties respecting the financial affairs of the commission as may be required by law or by direction of the commission]. All acts, orders and regulations heretofore passed by [said] the [c] Commission while sitting in the District of Colum-