

*made, if there be one, but if there be none, then with any member of its governing body. Receipt of such complaint shall be promptly acknowledged in writing and a copy transmitted to the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene. The department or other agency shall then proceed to investigate the complaint. Subject to such extensions of time as the parties may agree upon, a decision shall be rendered in writing and a copy thereof sent to the complainant within thirty (30) days of the filing of the complaint. A record shall be kept of all complaints and their disposition which shall be open to public inspection during regular business hours.*

*(2) A party aggrieved by an adverse decision of action or failure to take action within the time prescribed by subsection (1) of this section, may file an appeal to the Board of Review of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Board shall adopt procedures as provided in the Administrative Procedure Act, Section 244 et seq. of this Article, and shall in all other respects be governed by the provisions of said Act. At least three members shall sit at any hearing of the Board, constituted as a Board of Appeal. Decisions shall be by a majority of the Board sitting. The Board's decision shall be in writing, stating its reasons. Minutes of its proceedings shall be kept. The Chairman, or acting Chairman, shall have the power to administer oaths and compel the attendance of witnesses. The decision of the Board shall be the final agency decision for purposes of judicial review under Section 255 of this Article or for purposes of any other provisions of law permitting appeals to the courts from decisions of agencies included within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Appeals from decisions of the Board shall be as prescribed in the Administrative Procedure Act or by the substantive law applying to the commission, department, board or other instrumentality whose decision is being appealed.*

#### 206C. *Advisory Board.*

*The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene may, in his discretion, create an Advisory Board for the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Advisory Board shall be of such size as determined by the Secretary, and the members shall be representative of the different professional areas or fields of endeavor with which the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is concerned.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 1 of Article 22 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Postmortem Examiners," be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

#### 1.

The Department of Postmortem Examiners is hereby created and established[.], as part of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The head of said Department of Postmortem Examiners shall be a Commission, consisting of the professor of pathology of the University of Maryland, the professor of pathology of the Johns Hopkins University, a representative of the State Department of Health selected by the [Board of Health,] Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the commissioner of health of Baltimore City and the Superintendent of Maryland State Police. The members of said