

WHEREAS, Numerous significant historical events have occurred within the State House, including the signing of the Treaty of Paris ending the Revolutionary War and George Washington's resigning of his commission; and

WHEREAS, The State House was designated a Registered National Historic landmark in 1960 and attracts over 100,000 visitors a year; and

WHEREAS, Permanent supervision and care of the State House by a professional architect can contribute greatly to the historical and cultural significance of the State House; and

WHEREAS, Greater demands are being made on the State House facilities by the executive and legislative departments and at present no general plan as to a desirable allocation of these facilities exists; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Sections 407 and 408 be and they are hereby added to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume and 1968 Supplement), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments," to follow immediately after Section 406 thereof, and to be under the new subtitle "38. Architect of the State House," THE STATE HOUSE TRUST," and to read as follows:

*38. Architect of the State House*

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*There shall be an architect of the State House, hereafter referred to as the "Architect." The Governor shall appoint the Architect with the advice and consent of the Senate and he shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Architect shall be registered with the Maryland Board of Examiners and Registration of Architects and he shall be experienced in the field of historical architecture. The Architect shall receive a salary as provided in the budget from time to time.*

38. THE STATE HOUSE TRUST

407.

(A) THE RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION OF THE STATE HOUSE SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STATE HOUSE TRUST WHICH SHALL BE COMPRISED OF THE GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST, ACTING AS TRUSTEES FOR THE CITIZENS OF MARYLAND.

(B) THE TRUSTEES MAY APPOINT FROM ONE TO THREE NON-VOTING ASSOCIATES QUALIFIED BY EXPERIENCE AND INTEREST IN HISTORICAL PRESERVATION.

(C) THE TRUST SHALL RETAIN AN ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTANT WHO SHALL BE REGISTERED WITH THE MARYLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS AND REGISTRATION OF ARCHITECTS. THE ARCHITECT SHALL BE FAMILIAR WITH ALL PHASES OF 18TH CENTURY ARCHITECTURE