

tion as amended, being Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Montgomery County," subtitle "Chapter 72. Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission," subheading "Article I. In General," to implement the Merit System Board for The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission to prepare and adopt merit system rules and regulations for the employees of the Park and Planning Commission, to provide for the selection of the Board members, their terms, compensation, duties and powers and budget, and relating generally to the merit system for the Park and Planning Commission.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 59-12 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1963 Edition and 1967 Supplement, being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Prince George's County," subtitle "59. Park and Planning Commission," said section being also Section 72-16 of the Montgomery County Code, (1965 Edition, as amended, being Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Montgomery County," subtitle "Chapter 72. Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission," subheading "Article I. In General," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

59-12.

(a) The Commission shall put into effect the merit system adopted pursuant to this section. In it shall be included all the *full time* employees of the Commission, except the Commissioners, [the heads of the several departments and all assistant general counsel] *the Executive Director, the Secretary-Treasurer, the General Counsel, the Director of Planning, the Director of Parks and the Director of Public Relations.*

(b) For the purpose of making and adopting the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, there is created the Merit System Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. The Board shall consist of [five persons] *three members to be appointed by the Commission* [Two members of the Board shall reside in and be selected by the members of the Commission from Montgomery County, one of whom shall be one of the Montgomery County members of the Commission and the other of whom shall be selected by these Montgomery County members from outside their number, who shall have knowledge of or experience in personnel administration. Two members of the Board shall reside in and represent Prince George's County and shall be selected by the members of the Commission from Prince George's County, one of whom shall be one of the Prince George's County members of the Commission and the other of whom shall be selected by the Prince George's County members from outside their number, who shall have knowledge of or experience in personnel administration. The fifth member of the Board shall always be the person who is the State Commissioner of Personnel. The four members of the Board representing the counties of Montgomery and Prince George's shall serve for terms of four years each beginning on June 1, 1966. Vacancies on the Board are filled in the same manner as for the making of original appointments. If in 1966 or in any fourth year thereafter, the appointments of any or more of the four county members required herein have not been made as provided