

help and expense as the County Commissioners, and the County Council of Baltimore County, and the County Executive and County Council of Montgomery County, and the mayor and city council of Baltimore shall respectively determine. They shall confer frequently with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, submitting questions for determination to that department and shall receive and carry out instructions given by the department or the chief supervisor of assessments appointed by the department for their guidance in supervising the valuation and assessment of real and personal property; they shall likewise keep constantly informed of the method of work pursued by other supervisors of assessments. After July 1, 1961, supervisors of assessments shall not hold their position after they have attained the age of seventy (70) years, except that this shall not apply to the supervisor of assessments of Baltimore County until and after December 1, 1967.

## 237.

(h) *Submission of list of applicants to State Department of Assessments and Taxation; examination and grading; appointment; filling vacancies.*—The County Commissioners or County Council shall submit to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, from the applicants for each position to be filled, a list of not less than three applicants for each position, *provided, however, that in Montgomery County the list of applicants shall be submitted by the County Executive with the approval of the County Council.* The State Department of Assessments and Taxation shall interview, examine and grade said applicants, in order to determine their relative qualifications for the position or positions to be filled, and shall certify the list of applicants and their respective grades to the County Commissioners or County Council, *and the County Executive of Montgomery County, who shall appoint an assessor (by whatever title designated) for each position from the said list, provided, however, that all appointments by the County Executive of Montgomery County shall be subject to the confirmation of the County Council.* In the event of the resignation, death or removal of any assessor, the vacancy shall be filled by the County Commissioners or County Council *and the County Executive of Montgomery County* in the manner hereinbefore set forth, within 60 days from the date when the vacancy occurs. The annual salaries of the county assessors and all other expenses incident to local assessment shall be levied for and paid by the several boards of County Commissioners and County Councils. After July 1, 1961 assessors (by whatever title designated) shall not hold their positions after they have attained the age of seventy (70) years.

## 248.

The County Commissioners of each county are hereby authorized and empowered (but are not required) to create, by resolution, an Appeal Tax Court consisting of three members to be appointed by the County Commissioners for terms of three years, so arranged that the term of office of one of said members shall expire on June 1st in each year. One of said members shall be designated by the County Commissioners as chairman, and each of said members shall receive compensation as may be provided by the County Commissioners. The members of an Appeal Tax Court shall be removable by