

"In General," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

5. Commissioners—In General.

When the governing body of a city adopts a resolution as aforesaid, it shall promptly notify the mayor of such adoption. Upon receiving such notice, and approving said resolution, the mayor shall appoint five persons as commissioners of the authority created for said city. The commissioners who are first appointed shall be designated to serve for terms of one, two, three, four and five years, respectively, from the date of their appointment, but thereafter commissioners shall be appointed as aforesaid for a term of office of five years except that all vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term. No commissioner of an authority may be an employee (except a professional educational employee of the city school system or, in *Baltimore City*, an employee of the Department of Housing and Community Development or of any city agency succeeding to its functions) or an elected officer of the city for which the authority is created. A commissioner shall hold office until his successor has been appointed and has qualified. A certificate of the appointment or reappointment of any commissioners shall be filed with the clerk and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the due and proper appointment of such commissioner. A commissioner shall receive no compensation for his services, but he shall be entitled to the necessary expenses, including traveling expenses, incurred in the discharge of his duties.

The powers of each authority shall be vested in the commissioners thereof in office from time to time. Three commissioners shall constitute a quorum of the authority for the purpose of conducting its business and exercising its powers and for all other purposes. Action may be taken by the authority upon a vote of a majority of the commissioners present, unless in any case the bylaws of the authority shall require a larger number. The mayor shall designate which of the commissioners appointed shall be the first chairman, but when the office of the chairman of the authority thereafter becomes vacant, the authority shall select a chairman from among its commissioners. An authority shall select from among its commissioners a vice-chairman, and it may employ a secretary (who shall be executive director), technical experts and such other officers, agents and employees, permanent and temporary, and shall determine their qualifications, duties and compensation. For such legal services as it may require, an authority may call upon the chief law officer of the city or may employ its own counsel and legal staff. An authority may delegate to one or more of its agents or employees such powers or duties as it may deem proper.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

Approved April 15, 1970

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CHAPTER 119

(Senate Bill 291)

AN ACT to add new Section 28 (j) to Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (~~1968 Replacement~~ Volume 1969 SUPPLE-