

sioner or his duly authorized representative may at any time investigate the business and examine the books, accounts, papers, and records used therein, of (1) any licensee, (2) any other person engaged in the business described in this subtitle or participating in such business as principal, agent, subagent or otherwise, and (3) any person whom the Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe is violating any provision of this subtitle, whether or not such person shall claim to be within the authority or beyond the scope of this subtitle. If such investigation discloses the person investigated is violating the provisions of this subtitle, the Commissioner may report such violation to the [Governor of this State] *Secretary of Licensing and Regulation*, who may [direct] *request that* the Attorney General [to] institute a proper proceeding for the prosecution of such violation.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 161E (a), 161E (b), 161E (e), 161G (a), 161-I (a) and 161-I (b) of Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1966 Replacement Volume, 1969 Supplement), title "Corporations," subtitle, "Part III Particular Classes of Corporations," subheading "Building or Homestead Associations" are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

161E.

(a) The Board of Building, Savings and Loan Association Commissioners (referred to herein as the "Board") is hereby created *as a part of the Department of Licensing and Regulation* with the powers and duties specified in this subtitle and with such powers as may be necessary and proper to the full and effectual execution of the purposes of this article relative to associations. *The exercise or performance of all powers, authority, duties and functions vested in the Board by the provisions of this subtitle, shall be subject to the power and authority of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation as set forth in Article 41 of this Code, or elsewhere in the laws of this State.*

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(b) The Board of Building, Savings and Loan Association Commissioners shall consist of [seven (7)] *nine (9)* members who shall be appointed by the Governor, *with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation* and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Each of the members shall have been a resident and registered voter of the State of Maryland for at least five years next preceding his appointment. [Four] *Five (5)* of the members shall have been engaged as officers or directors of, or attorneys for, a building association, the principal place of business of which is located in this State, for at least five years next preceding their respective appointments; *said persons are hereinafter referred to as industry members.* Three (3) of such industry members shall have been actively engaged as officers or directors of, or attorneys for, a building association chartered or incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland, free share accounts of which are not insured by an instrumentality of the United States government. [One (1)] *Two (2)* of such industry members shall have been actively engaged