

ment of Agriculture.] *from recommendations submitted by the district supervisors of each area to be represented. Of the three soil conservation district supervisors first appointed to the Committee, one shall serve for one year, one for two years, one for three years, and thereafter each term shall be for a period of three years. No member who is a soil conservation district supervisor may serve more than two full successive terms, except that a member appointed prior to July 1, 1971, shall be eligible for one additional full term. An appointment to fill an unexpired term shall be made in the same manner as for the full term.*

The three geographic areas from which members who are soil conservation district supervisors shall be chosen, shall be as follows:

(1) *Area one shall include the Garrett, Allegany, Washington County, Catoclin, Frederick, Carroll, Baltimore County and Harford Soil Conservation Districts;*

(2) *Area two shall include the Montgomery, Howard, Anne Arundel, Prince George's, Charles, St. Mary's and Calvert Soil Conservation Districts; and*

(3) *Area three shall include the Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline, Talbot, Dorchester, Wicomico, Worcester and Somerset Soil Conservation Districts.*

The Director of the Cooperative Extension Service and the Principal Administrative Officer for Maryland of the Soil Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture, shall be advisory, non-voting members of the Committee. The Committee may invite other representatives of cooperating State and Federal agencies to serve as consultants to the Committee. The Committee shall adopt ~~an~~ official seal, WHICH SEAL SHALL BE JUDICIALLY NOTICED, and may perform such acts, hold such public hearings, and promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the execution of its functions under this subheading.

(c) **[**The Committee shall designate its chairman, and may, from time to time, change such designation.**]** *The Committee shall organize annually in July and select a Chairman and Vice Chairman from among its members. A member of the Committee shall hold office so long as he shall retain the office by virtue of which he shall be serving on the Committee. A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of a majority in any matter within their duties shall be required for its determination. The chairman and members of the Committee shall receive no compensation for their services on the Committee, but shall be entitled to expenses, including traveling expenses, necessarily incurred in the discharge of their duties on the Committee. The Committee shall provide for the execution of surety bonds for all employees and officers who shall be entrusted with funds or property; shall provide for the keeping of a full and accurate record of all proceedings and of all resolutions, regulations, and orders issued or adopted; and shall be subject to an annual audit of the accounts of receipts and disbursements by the State Auditor.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.*

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