SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 4 (a) of Article 88C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Supplement), title "State Planning," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(a) There shall be a State Planning Commission within the Department of State Planning, which shall constitute an advisory board for the Department of State Planning. The State Planning Commission shall consist of nine members, seven of whom shall be appointed by the Governor, of whom none shall be persons holding a salaried State office, selected, as far as possible, to reflect different broad geographic, economic and social interests in the State. They shall serve for four-year terms, beginning as of June 1 in the year in which appointed, and until their successors are appointed, except that of the members originally appointed four shall be appointed for a two-year term and the remainder for a four-year [terms] term. Members appointed by the Secretary of State Planning and in office on July 1, 1971, shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms. The Governor shall fill by appointment any vacancy for the unexpired balance of a member's term. Two members of the Commission shall be ex officio members, one of whom shall be a member of the House of Delegates of Maryland to be designated by the Speaker thereof, and the other of whom shall be a member of the Senate of Maryland to be designated by the President thereof. All members shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The Governor shall appoint a chairman of the Commission. The State Planning Commission shall meet as often as necessary but at least twice each year, either on the call of the Secretary or on the call of the chairman. The chairman shall call a meeting of the Commission whenever requested to do so by the Secretary of State Planning or by any three members of the Commission. The Secretary of State Planning shall designate another member of the staff of the Department of State Planning, who shall serve as Secretary to the Commission in addition to his regular duties of employment with the Department of State Planning.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1972.

Approved April 11, 1972

CHAPTER 26

(Senate Bill 224)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 7C 7 (C) and 12-IA of Article 77A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Higher Education," subtitles, respectively, "Community Colleges," and "State Colleges," correcting certain errors in the laws relating generally to community colleges and state colleges.