MEMBER AS IN HIS/HER JUDGMENT WILL AID IN EFFECTUATING THE PURPOSES OF THE COMMISSION. THE COMMITTEE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE ACTIONS SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO BE THE ACTION OF THE COMMISSION AND SHALL IN NO WAY BIND THE COMMISSION OR ITS MEMBERS.

## 77-27. ADVISORY COUNCIL.

AN ADVISORY COUNCIL, COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM ORGANIZATIONS INTERESTED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION, SHALL BE ESTABLISHED TO ADVISE THE COMMISSION. UNAFFILIATED INDIVIDUALS MAY ATTEND ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETINGS, BUT MAY NOT VOTE. ADVISORY COUNCIL ACTION SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO BE THE ACTION OF THE COMMISSION AND SHALL IN NO WAY BIND THE COMMISSION OR ITS MEMBERS.

## 77-28. VOLUNTEERS: CONSULTANTS.

THE COMMISSION MAY ENGAGE THE SERVICES OF VOLUNTEER WCRKERS AND CONSULTANTS WITHOUT SALARY AS THEY MAY FIND NECESSARY FROM TIME TO TIME AND MAY ENGAGE OTHER WORKERS AND CONSULTANTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE CCUNTY SUBJECT TO BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS TO ASSIST IT IN CARPYING OUT ITS DUTIES. SERVICES OF AN INDIVIDUAL AS A VOLUNTEER WCRKER OR CONSULTANT FOR THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED AS SERVICE OF EMPLOYMENT BRINGING SUCH INDIVIDUAL WITHIN ANY MERIT SYSTEM OF THE COUNTY OR THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

## 77-29. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL.

THERE SHALL BE AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION, WHO SHALL EE A MERIT SYSTEM EMPLOYEE. OTHER PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES MAY BE AUTHORIZED AS PROVIDED BY APPROPRIATIONS.

SECTION 2. Severability. The provisions of this Article are severable and if any provision, section, or part thereof is held invalid, it shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions.

SECTION 3. Effective date. This Act shall take effect on the 76th day following the date on which it becomes law.