to commerce, agriculture, forestry, transportation, travel, tourism and recreation, and to cooperate and offer assistance to existing industries and businesses, and to promote and encourage the establishing and locating of new industries and businesses in St. Mary's County and other matters intended to foster and develop gainful employment and the pursuit of happiness of all who are now or may hereafter be residents of St. Mary's County.

- The commission shall consist of [not less than seven nor more than eleven] NINE members, who shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. members shall represent a cross section of the economic composition of the county and shall be selected because of their known experience and interest in the development of the county. Those organizations representing the same categoric interest shall jointly send to the county commissioners a list of not less than two nor more than three names of persons duly qualified and interested in serving on the commission. There shall be on the commission one member chosen from each of the following categories: Agriculture, banking, [contracting, estate and retailing, and two from the public at large. The county commissioners shall not select any person not on a list submitted by interested organizations except the two positions representing the public at large. The public at large positions on the commission can be made by any resident of the county by submitting in writing to the county commissioners nominations and the county commissioners shall give all reasonable and fair consideration to the nominations submitted but are required to choose from names submitted for the public at large positions on the commission. The commission when it deems necessary for the successful operation of program shall determine what other categoric interests should be represented on the commission, and shall the county commissioners to select a person to represent the said categoric interest by following the procedure as outlined in this section and provided that no more maximum number of members as set forth in this section shall be appointed to the commission. 1 SEAFOOD, AND GOODS AND SERVICES.
- The members of the commission shall serve for [two] THREE years [from June 1, 1961], EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS ACT, and are eligible for reappointment. PERSONS SERVING AS MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1975, SHALL CONTINUE TO SERVE IN RESPECTIVE POSITIONS UNTIL THE EXPIRATION OF THEIR TERMS. AS OF JULY 1, 1975, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL STAGGER THE APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBERS FOR PERIODS OF TWO AND THREE YEARS IN ORDER TO INSURE THE EXPIRATION OF TERMS ON THE BASIS OF NO MORE THAN THREE