A State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors is created as part of the Department of Licensing and Regulation. It shall administer the provisions of this article. The Board shall consist of four professional engineers, a professional land surveyor and a member of the general public, all of whom shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation AND THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE. [[engineers and the land surveyor member shall be selected from lists of not [more] LESS than three nominees recommended by ] ] engineers and the land surveyor member shall be selected from lists of not [more] LESS than three nominees recommended by [[GOVERNOR MAY CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS FROM]] each of the following: the Maryland chapter or section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, and the Maryland Society of Surveyors[[, and]]. THE ENGINEER AND LAND SURVEYOR MEMBERS shall have the qualifications required by § 4. The Board shall consist of one civil engineer, one mechanical engineer, one electrical engineer, one chemical engineer, one land surveyor, and the public member.

Each member of the Board shall receive a certificate of his appointment from the Governor and before beginning his term of office shall file with the Secretary of State his written oath or affirmation for the faithful discharge of his official duty. On the expiration of the term of any member, the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary [of Licensing and Regulation,] AND THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE shall, in the manner hereinbefore provided, appoint for a term of five years a professional engineer, or a professional land surveyor, having the qualifications required by § 4 or a member from the general public, as the case may be. Each member shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which he is appointed or until a successor is duly appointed and qualifies.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if S.B. of 1976, removing land surveyors from the jurisdiction of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors, and creating a State Board of Registration for Professional Land Surveyors is enacted, the provisions of this Act shall be read together with the provisions of S.B. in order to effectuate the intent of both Acts. However, this Act is not contingent upon the passage of S.B.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.