

the department to be acting commissioner. In case of the absence or incapacitating disability of the Police Commissioner without his having designated an acting commissioner, the next ranking member of the department, as may be determined by Order promulgated by the Police Commissioner in accordance with the authority vested in him by this subtitle, shall be acting police commissioner while [such] THE absence or disability continues. In no case shall the appointment of an acting police commissioner continue for a period longer than [ninety (90)] 90 days unless approval [therefore] is expressly given by the [Governor] MAYOR, nor in any event shall [such] THE appointment continue beyond the term for which the Police Commissioner was appointed. Should the [Governor] MAYOR withhold [such] THE approval, he shall [forthwith] designate an acting police commissioner to serve at his pleasure until the Police Commissioner reassumes the duties and responsibilities of his office, but in no event shall [such] THE appointment continue beyond the term for which the Police Commissioner was appointed. An acting police commissioner appointed under the provisions of this section shall have, during the time in which he acts as police commissioner, all the powers and duties conferred by law upon the Police Commissioner. An acting police commissioner appointed from within the department shall receive no extra compensation for his services [as such]. An acting police commissioner appointed by the [Governor] MAYOR, who is not a member of the department, shall receive a salary during his service which shall not be less in amount than that then authorized for payment to the Commissioner.

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[Said] THE Commissioner shall make an annual report [to the Governor and] to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, covering and reporting upon the operations and work of the Department in [such] detail as [shall] TO enable the [Governor and] Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to maintain a continuing familiarity with the program and operations of the Department. [Said] THE Commissioner shall also make [such] special reports[,] and provide [such] specific information[,] as may be required from time to time by [the Governor or by] the Mayor for normal administrative, financial and managerial purposes.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act does not alter or affect the term of the incumbent in the office of Police Commissioner of Baltimore City on the effective date of this Act. When Section 1 goes into effect and becomes operative, the Mayor of Baltimore City may not appoint a Police Commissioner until the expiration of the term of the incumbent in office on the effective date of this Act, or until the office becomes vacant by reason of death,