

compensation, and term of membership of certain members of the Examining Board of the Bureau of Mines; deleting the provision relating to an oath of office; and deleting the time limitations on and the form of notice of examination meetings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources
Section 7-206(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 7-206(a) and (b) of Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

7-206.

(a) Upon the recommendation of the Director of the Bureau, concurred in by the Secretary, the Governor shall appoint two persons, one a miner and the other an operator, who with the Director shall constitute an Examining Board. The Director shall be chairman, ex officio. Each appointed miner and operator shall: (1) be a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State; (2) be [not less than 30] 18 years [of age] OLD OR OLDER; (3) have at least five years' practical experience in the coal mining industry [immediately preceding the appointment]; and (4) be a person of integrity[,] AND known intelligence, [and] who has knowledge of this occupation. A member SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR AND shall remain in office until his successor is appointed and [qualified] QUALIFIES. [Before entering upon the duties of the office, each member shall take and subscribe the oath provided by the Constitution.] The Board shall have the office room, meeting space, equipment, stenographic and other assistance, supplies, and facilities THAT the Secretary approves. Employees of the Board shall be selected in accordance with the rules of the State Department of Personnel. Each appointed miner and operator member [receives \$12 for each day of service rendered as a Board member. He shall be reimbursed for necessary traveling expenses and disbursements made in the conduct of his official duties in accordance with the standard travel regulations, not to exceed \$200 in any year] SHALL RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET AND SHALL BE REIMBURSED FOR ACTUAL EXPENSES.

(b) The examining board shall meet at a place it selects, which is convenient for any applicant for