

~~consists of nine members appointed as follows:~~

~~(1) Two appointed by the Governor, one to be a member of the State's principal majority political party and one to be a member of the State's principal minority political party;~~

~~(2) One appointed by the President of the Senate;~~

~~(3) One appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates;~~

~~(4) One, who is not a judge, appointed by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals; and~~

~~(5) Four appointed by the Governor from the public from nominees submitted by statewide citizens' groups; provided two of the members appointed from the public shall be selected from lists submitted by organizations representing minority groups in Maryland.~~

~~(b) The Commission shall elect one of its members chairman.~~

~~(c) Each Commission member shall hold office for a term of five years, and shall continue in office until his respective successor is appointed. The term of each Commissioner shall be staggered so that one expires on February 1 of each year. In the case of the first five Commissioners named the:~~

~~(1) Governor's appointee from the majority political party shall serve for five years,~~

~~(2) Appointee of the President shall serve for four years,~~

~~(3) Appointee of the speaker shall serve for three years,~~

~~(4) Appointee of the chief judge shall serve for two years, and~~

~~(5) Governor's appointee from the minority party shall serve for one year.~~

~~A vacant position on the Commission shall be filled promptly for the unexpired term, by the authority who appointed the member whose position is to be filled. Members of the Commission are eligible for reappointment. Within 30 days from the effective date of this subtitle, the Governor, President, Speaker, and the Chief judge shall appoint initial members to the Commission.~~

~~(d) No officer or employee of the State or any of its subdivisions, or candidate for public or party office, is eligible to serve on the Commission.~~