

~~the St. Mary's City Commission, and requiring a certain Secretary to make every effort to insure that a member of a minority group is appointed as a Commissioner.~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative
Departments
Section 367 and 370
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative
Departments

367.

The powers and duties of the St. Mary's City Commission are vested in and shall be exercised by a body of [seven (7)] NINE Commissioners. The Commissioners shall be appointed by the Secretary of Economic and Community Development, with the approval of the Governor, for terms of five years each, EXCEPT THAT, ~~IN THE CASE ONE OF THE TWO COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED IN 1978, FOR TERMS A TERM OF FOUR YEARS EACH. THE SECRETARY SHALL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO INSURE THAT A MEMBER OF A MINORITY GROUP IS APPOINTED AS A COMMISSIONER.~~ Any Commissioner may be appointed to a succeeding term. If a Commissioner for any reason fails to serve or to complete any term, a successor shall be appointed for the remainder of the term. Commissioners shall be selected on the basis of ability, public spirit, and historical and professional interest; and the membership of the Commission at all times shall include not fewer than [five] SIX residents of the State of Maryland, and not fewer than [two] THREE residents of St. Mary's County.

370.

The Commissioners from time to time shall elect one of their number to serve as chairman. The Commissioners shall meet at places and dates to be determined by them, but not less frequently than six times a year. The director shall serve as secretary to the Commission. Special meetings shall be called by the Secretary of Economic and Community Development or by the director upon order of the chairman, or at the request of any three or more Commissioners. All Commissioners shall be notified by the director in writing of the time and place of all meetings, at least seven days in advance thereof; except that meetings may be held on shorter notice if all members of the Commission agree. [Four] FIVE Commissioners constitute a quorum. If at any time there is not a director of the Commission, his duties and powers shall devolve upon the chairman.