

PROVIDE, OR IF ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION IS MADE THEREFOR WITHIN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE UNITED STATES MAY BE REPRESENTED ON THE COMMISSION BY NOT TO EXCEED TEN REPRESENTATIVES. ANY SUCH REPRESENTATIVE OR REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES SHALL BE APPOINTED AND SERVE IN SUCH MANNER AS MAY BE PROVIDED BY OR PURSUANT TO FEDERAL LAW, AND MAY BE DRAWN FROM ANY ONE OR MORE BRANCHES OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BUT NO SUCH REPRESENTATIVES SHALL HAVE A VOTE ON THE COMMISSION.

B. THE COMMISSION MAY PROVIDE INFORMATION AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ANY EXECUTIVE OR LEGISLATIVE AGENCY OR OFFICER OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CONCERNING THE COMMON EDUCATIONAL POLICIES OF THE STATES, AND MAY ADVISE WITH ANY SUCH AGENCIES OR OFFICERS CONCERNING ANY MATTER OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

#### ARTICLE VI. COMMITTEES.

##### A. STEERING COMMITTEE.

TO ASSIST IN THE EXPEDITIOUS CONDUCT OF ITS BUSINESS WHEN THE FULL COMMISSION IS NOT MEETING, THE COMMISSION SHALL ELECT A STEERING COMMITTEE OF THIRTY-TWO MEMBERS WHICH, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS COMPACT AND CONSISTENT WITH THE POLICIES OF THE COMMISSION, SHALL BE CONSTITUTED AND FUNCTION AS PROVIDED IN THE BYLAWS OF THE COMMISSION. ONE FOURTH OF THE VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF GOVERNORS, ONE FOURTH SHALL CONSIST OF LEGISLATORS, AND THE REMAINDER SHALL CONSIST OF OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION. A FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE ON THE COMMISSION MAY SERVE WITH THE STEERING COMMITTEE, BUT WITHOUT VOTE. THE VOTING MEMBERS OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE SHALL SERVE FOR TERMS OF TWO YEARS, EXCEPT THAT MEMBERS ELECTED TO THE FIRST STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE COMMISSION SHALL BE ELECTED AS FOLLOWS: SIXTEEN FOR ONE YEAR AND SIXTEEN FOR TWO YEARS. THE CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN, AND TREASURER OF THE COMMISSION SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE AND, ANYTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH TO THE CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING, SHALL SERVE DURING THEIR CONTINUANCE IN THESE OFFICES. VACANCIES IN THE STEERING COMMITTEE SHALL NOT AFFECT ITS AUTHORITY TO ACT, BUT THE COMMISSION AT ITS NEXT REGULARLY ENSUING MEETING FOLLOWING THE OCCURRENCE OF ANY VACANCY SHALL FILL IT FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM. NO PERSON SHALL SERVE MORE THAN TWO TERMS AS A MEMBER OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE; PROVIDED THAT SERVICE FOR A PARTIAL TERM OF ONE YEAR OR LESS SHALL NOT BE COUNTED TOWARD THE TWO-TERM LIMITATION.

##### B. ADVISORY AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEES.

THE COMMISSION MAY ESTABLISH ADVISORY AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEES COMPOSED OF STATE, LOCAL AND FEDERAL OFFICIALS, AND PRIVATE PERSONS TO ADVISE IT WITH RESPECT TO ANY ONE OR MORE OF ITS FUNCTIONS. ANY ADVISORY OR TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MAY, ON REQUEST OF THE STATES CONCERNED, BE ESTABLISHED TO CONSIDER ANY MATTER OF SPECIAL CONCERN TO TWO OR MORE OF THE PARTY STATES.