THIS COMPACT SHALL BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUED SO AS TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSES THEREOF. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS COMPACT SHALL BE SEVERABLE AND IF ANY PHRASE, CLAUSE, SENTENCE OR PROVISION OF THIS COMPACT IS DECLARED TO BE CONTRARY TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ANY STATE OR OF THE UNITED STATES, OR THE APPLICATION THEREOF TO ANY GOVERNMENT, AGENCY, PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCE IS HELD INVALID, THE VALIDITY OF THE REMAINDER OF THIS COMPACT AND THE APPLICABILITY THEREOF TO ANY GOVERNMENT, AGENCY, PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCE SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED THEREBY. IF THIS COMPACT SHALL BE HELD CONTRARY TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ANY STATE PARTICIPATING THEREIN, THE COMPACT SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AS TO THE STATE AFFECTED AS TO ALL SEVERABLE MATTERS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Art. 41, §§ 376 through 384.

Except for section numbers, no changes have been made.

25-103. MARYLAND EDUCATION COUNCIL; REPRESENTATION ON COMMISSION.

(A) ESTABLISHED.

THERE IS A MARYLAND EDUCATION COUNCIL.

- (B) COMPOSITION.
- (1) THE COUNCIL CONSISTS OF SEVEN MEMBERS.
- (2) ONE MEMBER SHALL BE THE GOVERNOR. EX OFFICIO.
- (3) TWO MEMBERS SHALL BE FROM THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF DELEGATES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, APPOINTED BY THE RESPECTIVE PRESIDING OFFICERS.
- (4) ONE MEMBER SHALL BE THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT, EX OFFICIO.
- (5) THREE MEMBERS SHALL BE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR. THESE MEMBERS SHALL HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF AND INTEREST IN EDUCATIONAL MATTERS AND BY VIRTUE OF THEIR TRAINING, EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, OR AFFILIATION SHALL BE IN A POSITION COLLECTIVELY TO REFLECT BROADLY THE INTERESTS OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT, HIGHER EDUCATION, THE STATE EDUCATION SYSTEM, COUNTY EDUCATION, AND LAY AND PROFESSIONAL, PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP.
  - (C) TERM AND VACANCIES.
- (1) THE THREE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR SERVE FOR TERMS THAT COINCIDE WITH THAT OF THE GOVERNOR.
- (2) ANY MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR MAY BE REAPPOINTED TO ONE OR MORE SUCCESSIVE TERMS.