

and relating generally to the Maryland Veterans Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 96 1/2 - Veterans
Section 3(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1964 Replacement Volume and 1978 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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 96 1/2 - Veterans

3.

(a) The Governor shall appoint a Commission to be known as the "Maryland Veterans Commission," to be composed of [nine] 15 Maryland veterans, one of whom shall be designated by the Governor as chairman. Each congressional district shall be represented-7- -{and-}- one member shall be ~~an-at-large-member~~ A PERSON WHO IS CURRENTLY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MARYLAND VETERANS' HOME COMMISSION. AND SIX MEMBERS, APPOINTED--AS--OF--JULY--1,--1979,--SHALL--BE--MEMBERS, RESPECTIVELY,--OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS, THE CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS, THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS, THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, AND THE VETERANS OF WORLD WAR I SHALL EACH HAVE ONE MEMBER AMONG THE REMAINING SIX ON THE COMMISSION, TO BE APPOINTED AS OF JULY 1, 1979. Members shall be eligible for reappointment to the Commission. All persons who are members of the Commission as of [August 31, 1970] JUNE 30, 1979, shall continue to serve as members until the expiration of the terms to which they were appointed. All appointments to the Commission shall be for seven-year terms. The department commander of the American Legion, the department commander of the Marine Corps League, the department commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the department commander of the Disabled American Veterans, the department commander of the Spanish-American War Veterans, the department commander of the World War I Veterans, the department commander of the Catholic War Veterans, the department commander of the Amvets, the department commander of the Polish American War Veterans, the department commander of the Jewish War Veterans and the president of the Maryland Retired Officers Association shall constitute an advisory committee to the Commission, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor without vote.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.