

(b) Composition; appointment and terms of members; chairman; vacancies. --The Board consists of seven members appointed for a two year term by the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, and the advice and consent of the Senate. The representation of four of the seven appointments shall be as follows: one from the Eastern Shore, which comprises the counties of Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester; one from central Maryland, which comprises Baltimore City and the counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, and Montgomery; one from southern Maryland, which comprises the counties of Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's, and St. Mary's; and one from western Maryland, which comprises the counties of Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington. A regional appointee shall be a licensed well driller actively engaged at the time of his appointment in the well-drilling business in the State. The Governor shall appoint the remaining three members of the Board upon the recommendation of the Secretary OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE and with the advice and consent of the Senate, as follows: one from the public at large, who shall serve as the chairman; one from the Department OF NATURAL RESOURCES; and one from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. If there is a vacancy, with the advice of the Secretary OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, the Governor shall appoint a successor to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. A MEMBER AS OF JUNE 30, 1980, SHALL REMAIN A MEMBER FOR THE BALANCE OF THE TERM TO WHICH THE MEMBER WAS APPOINTED, UNLESS THE MEMBER DIES, RESIGNS, OR IS REMOVED PURSUANT TO LAW.

(d) Powers and duties generally; authority to make rules and regulations. -- The Board shall administer and enforce Part III of this subtitle and has the powers expressly conferred or reasonably implied from this title. The Board may make and enforce rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of Part III of this subtitle. The Board shall review the rules and regulations submitted to it by the Department OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE for Board comment before adoption by the Department.

(e) Executive director and other personnel; qualifications of executive director; tenure and compensation of employees. -- The Board may employ a secretary and other assistants necessary to assist in discharging its duties. It also may employ and discharge at its pleasure an executive director. The employment or removal of the executive director and any other personnel is subject to the approval of the Secretary OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE. The executive director shall possess a broad knowledge of the business of well drilling. He shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office, and may not hold any other position or occupation or engage in any other business which would interfere with the work of his office or appear to be inconsistent with the duties and responsibilities of his position. The executive director and other employees shall have the compensation provided in the State budget.

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