

law silent as to the present staggering of terms. The Commission to Revise the Annotated Code has relied on the past and current practice of the Governor and the Board as to the terms for its members and, therefore, retained the staggered term provision.

Subsection (h)(3) of this section is standard language added to this and, where necessary, corresponding sections of other titles of this article to provide for gaps in membership by indicating that a member serves until a successor takes office. This provision is supported by the cases of Benson v. Mellor, 152 Md. 481 (1927) and Grooms v. LaVale Zoning Board, 27 Md. App. 266 (1975).

Subsection (h)(4) of this section also is added as standard language. It follows from the provision for staggered terms. An inherent aspect of staggered terms is that they must begin and end at set intervals. For circumstances under which this subsection applies, see the General Revisor's Note to this article.

Subsection (i) of this section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. II, § 15 of the State Constitution. For other provisions on removal, see: Art. XV, § 2 of the State Constitution, on suspension and removal for crimes; and Art. 41, § 4 of the Code, on removal for failure to attend meetings.

In subsections (b)(1) and (2) and (c) of this section, as to the substitution of the phrase "with the advice of the Secretary" for "upon the recommendation of the Secretary ...", see the General Revisor's Note to this article.

In subsections (b) and (d) of this section, the reference to "practitioner" member is added to describe a member who practices osteopathy.

In subsection (e) of this section, the term doctor of osteopathy is substituted for the misleading terms "osteopathic physician" and "osteopathic physician-in-training" since the term "physician" might suggest that the individual is authorized to practice medicine under Title 14 of this article when the individual may not be so authorized.

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(A) IN GENERAL.