

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows:

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative  
Departments

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(c) (1) There is a Commission on Correctional Standards. The Commission is an agency of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

(2) The Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint the 11 members of the Commission, who collectively possess the following qualifications:

(i) Two members shall be Maryland citizens who are not directly employed in the field of corrections;

(ii) Two members shall be State government correctional personnel;

(iii) Two members shall be local government correctional personnel;

(iv) One member shall be an official or employee of the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections or a similar national correctional accreditation organization;

(v) The Attorney General, Secretary of General Services, and Secretary of State Planning shall be ex officio members ~~AND--EACH--MAY--BE--REPRESENTED--BY--A DESIGNEE;~~

(vi) One member shall be an elected official from a local governing body.

(3) (I) Each member of the Commission other than the Attorney General, Secretary of General Services, and Secretary of State Planning shall serve a term of office which is 3 years, except that, of the initial members, three shall be appointed for a term of 1 year, three shall be appointed for a term of 2 years, and two shall be appointed for a term of 3 years.

(II) AN EX OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION MAY ELECT TO SERVE PERSONALLY AT ANY COMMISSION MEETING OR MAY DESIGNATE A MEMBER OF HIS OR HER DEPARTMENT TO REPRESENT AND TO ACT FOR THE EX OFFICIO MEMBER AT ANY MEETING TO THE SAME EFFECT AS IF THE EX OFFICIO MEMBER WERE PERSONALLY PRESENT.