

CHAPTER 607

(House Bill 450)

AN ACT concerning

Fire Prevention Commission - Authority

FOR the purpose of permitting the Fire Prevention Commission to make recommendations to the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services on the daily operations of the Fire Marshal's Office; and providing that the Fire Prevention Commission does not have direct line authority over the Fire Marshal's Office.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 38A - Fires and Investigations
Section 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1978 Replacement Volume and 1982 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 38A - Fires and Investigations
Section 2 and 7
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1978 Replacement Volume and 1982 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 38A - Fires and Investigations

1.

(a) There is hereby created a State Fire Prevention Commission, which shall consist of 9 persons, qualified by experience and training to deal with the matters which are the responsibilities of the Commission, appointed by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, with the approval of the Governor. The Commission shall be part of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services. The term of office of the members first taking office shall expire as designated by the Governor at the time of appointment, one at the end of one year, one at the end of two years, one at the end of three years, two at the end of four years, and two at the end of five years. Each succeeding term shall be for five years, and any member is subject to removal by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, with the approval of the Governor at any time for neglect of his duties or for other cause which in the opinion of the Secretary makes his continued membership unwise in