

~~ADMINISTRATION IN A COMPETITIVE MANNER WITHIN THE PORT INDUSTRY, AND TO EXERCISE THOSE POWERS GRANTED TO IT AND TO THE MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION BY THIS TITLE OR BY ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW.~~

(B) THE COMMISSION SHALL:

(1) ESTABLISH POLICIES DIRECTED TOWARD IMPROVING THE COMPETITIVE POSITION OF THE PORTS OF MARYLAND WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL PORT INDUSTRY;

(2) ADOPT REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION IN A COMPETITIVE MANNER WITHIN THE PORT INDUSTRY;

(3) EXERCISE THOSE POWERS GRANTED TO THE COMMISSION AND TO THE MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION BY THIS TITLE OR BY ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW; AND

(4) IN CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, SEEK INFORMATION AND ADVICE FROM PORT LABOR AND MANAGEMENT GROUPS ON A REGULAR BASIS.

(C) THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIST OF 7 MEMBERS, 6 OF WHOM SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE AND THE 7TH SHALL BE THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION WHO SHALL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION.

~~(D) QUALIFICATIONS-----AN APPOINTED MEMBER MAY NOT BE AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE STATE. EACH APPOINTED MEMBER SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE WHO IS A PERSON OF ABILITY AND INTEGRITY. MEMBERS SHALL NOT BE APPOINTED AS REPRESENTATIVE OF ANY SPECIAL INTEREST OR INTERESTS. TWO MEMBERS SHALL BE RESIDENTS OF THE BALTIMORE AREA (BALTIMORE CITY, BALTIMORE COUNTY, ANNE ARUNDEL, CARROLL, HOWARD, AND HARFORD COUNTIES), ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THE EASTERN SHORE (CECIL, KENT, QUEEN ANNE'S, TALBOT, CAROLINE, DORCHESTER, WICOMICO, SOMERSET, AND WORCESTER COUNTIES), ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND (ST. MARY'S, CHARLES, AND CALVERT COUNTIES), ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN AREA (PRINCE GEORGE'S AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES) AND ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND (FREDERICK, WASHINGTON, ALLEGANY, AND GARRETT COUNTIES).~~

(D) (1) THE GOVERNOR MAY NOT APPOINT TO THE COMMISSION:

(I) AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE STATE;

(II) A REPRESENTATIVE OF ANY ENTITY WHOSE MAJOR PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES ARE PORTS-RELATED;

(III) A PERSON EMPLOYED BY ANY ENTITY WHOSE MAJOR PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES ARE PORTS-RELATED; OR