

(F) SALARY.

EACH JUDGE IS ENTITLED TO THE SALARY PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsections (a) through (c), (d)(1) and (3), and (f) of this section are new language derived without substantive change from the second, third, fifth, and eighth through twelfth sentences, the first clause of the seventh sentence, and, except as it related to the designation and term of the Chief Judge, the sixth sentence of former Art. 81, § 224.

Subsection (d)(2) of this section is standard language substituted for the ninth and tenth sentences of former Art. 81, § 224, which specified the terms of the initial members and were obsolete.

Subsection (d)(4) of this section is standard language that follows from the requirement that there be staggered terms. An inherent aspect of staggered terms is that they must begin and end at set intervals. Subsection (d)(4) of this section applies: (1) when a successor is appointed to replace a member who has died, resigned, or failed for any other reason to complete a term; (2) when a member is appointed to succeed a member who has "held over" to part of the next term, pending the delayed appointment and qualification of the successor; or (3) when, in any other situation, a member takes office after a term has begun, e.g., when, at the completion of a term, there is a delay in the appointment of a successor, but the member who served the prior term does not "hold over", thus creating, at the start of the next term, a vacancy that is associated neither with the replacement of a member who served part of the current term nor with the completion of a term started by a "holdover".

Subsection (e) of this section is new language added to state explicitly grounds for removal. It is based on Md. Constitution, Art. II, § 15. For other provisions on removal, see: Md. Constitution, Art. XV, § 2, on suspension and removal for crimes, and Art. 41, § 1-203 of the Code, on removal for failure to attend meetings.

In subsection (a)(1) of this section, the former reference to a "taxpayer" is deleted as unnecessary since the qualifications for being a "qualified voter" encompass those for being subject to the income tax.

In subsection (f) of this section, the former clause "these salaries to be payable out of the treasury of the State" is deleted as surplusage.