

Subsection (e) of this section is standard language added to state the requirement that an individual appointed to any office of profit or trust take the oath specified in Md. Constitution, Art. I, § 9.

Subsection (f)(2) of this section is standard language substituted for the first sentence of former Art. 56, § 523(c), which provided for the terms of the first members of the Board and was obsolete. This substitution is not intended to alter the term of any member of the Board. See § 7 of Ch. \_\_\_\_, Acts of 1989. Accordingly, in subsection (f)(1) of this section, the specific reference to "July 1" is added. The terms of the members serving on October 1, 1989, end as follows: (1) 1 in 1991; (2) 1 in 1992; (3) 2 in 1993; and (4) 2 in 1994.

Subsection (f)(3) of this section is standard language added to avoid gaps in membership by indicating that a member serves until a successor takes office. This addition is supported by the cases of Benson v. Mellor, 152 Md. 481 (1927), and Grooms v. LaVale Zoning Bd., 27 Md. App. 266 (1975).

Subsection (f)(4) of this section also is added as standard language. It 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. For circumstances under which subsection (f)(4) of this section applies, see the General Revisor's Note to this article.

Subsection (g) of this section is new language that repeats the provisions of 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)(2)(i) of this section, the requirement that 3 members be "licensed hearing aid dealers" is substituted for the former requirement that 3 members "possess the qualifications provided in § 513", which was intended to ensure that the first members of the Board qualified to be licensed, and the sixth sentence of former Art. 56, § 523(b). As first enacted by Ch. 634, Acts of 1969, the sixth sentence required "[a]ll persons appointed to the Board after the date on which the Board first issues a certificate of license, as provided in ... [then Art. 43, § 730(c)] shall be persons who hold valid certificates of license" and, thus, seemingly required all 6