

EACH MEMBER SHALL HAVE EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING TO DEAL WITH THE MATTERS THAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMISSION.

(C) TENURE; VACANCIES.

(1) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 5 YEARS.

(2) THE TERMS OF MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON OCTOBER 1, 2003.

(3) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.

(4) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM HAS BEGUN SERVES ONLY FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.

(5) A MEMBER MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN 2 TERMS.

(D) REMOVAL.

WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY MAY REMOVE A MEMBER FOR NEGLECT OF DUTY OR OTHER SUFFICIENT CAUSE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsections (a), (b), (c)(1), (4), and (5), and (d) of this section are new language derived without substantive change from the fourth through ninth sentences and, except as it related to the creation of the State Fire Commission, the first sentence of former Art. 38A, § 1(a).

Subsection (c)(2) of this section is standard language substituted for the third sentence of former Art. 38A, § 1(a), which provided for the terms of the initial members and is obsolete.

Subsection (c)(3) and the clause "until a successor is appointed and qualifies" in subsection (c)(4) of this section are standard language added to avoid gaps in membership by indicating that a member serves until a successor takes office.

In subsection (a)(2)(i) of this section, the reference to a "career" fire company is substituted for the former reference to a "paid" fire company for consistency with terminology used throughout this article.

In subsection (a)(2)(vi) of this section, the reference to the "public" is substituted for the former phrase "general public interest" for consistency with terminology used throughout this article.

In subsection (d) of this section, the phrase "other sufficient cause" is substituted for the former phrase "other cause which in the opinion of the Secretary makes his [the member's] continued membership unwise in the public interest" for brevity.

Also in subsection (d) of this section, the former phrase "at any time" is deleted as surplusage.