

(2) A person may not be appointed to the State Board if the appointment will result in the State Board having more than three or fewer than two members of the same principal political party.

(f) (1) The term of a member is 4 years and begins on July 1.

(2) The terms of the members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the State Board on July 1, 1999.

(3) A member may not serve more than three consecutive terms.

(4) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(g) (1) If a vacancy occurs on the State Board, it shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(2) An appointment made while the Senate of Maryland is not in session shall be considered temporary until the appointee is confirmed by the Senate.

(h) Not later than August 1 each year, the State Board shall elect one of its members as chairman.

(i) Each member shall receive:

(1) Per diem compensation as provided in the State budget for each day that the member is actually engaged in the discharge of official duties, as authorized by the State Board and in accordance with the State budget; and

(2) Reimbursement for all necessary and proper expenses, as provided in the State budget.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly was Art. 33, § 2-101.

No changes are made.

2-102.

(a) The State Board shall manage and supervise elections in the State and ensure compliance with the requirements of this article and any applicable federal law by all persons involved in the elections process.

(b) In exercising its authority under this article and in order to ensure compliance with this article and with any requirements of federal law, the State Board shall:

(1) Supervise the conduct of elections in the State;

(2) Direct, support, monitor, and evaluate the activities of each local board;

(3) Have a staff sufficient to perform its functions;

(4) Adopt regulations to implement its powers and duties;