

for Occupational Diseases. In 1965, the Serious Disability Section was added. This provides for a greater amount and rate of compensation for a workman who sustains a serious disability, as defined by the Law (Code 1957, 1965 Supp., Art. 101, secs. 21-36, 66).

**Medical Board for Occupational Diseases**

Chairman: James Frenkil, M.D., 1971

Whitmer B. Firor, M.D., 1967; John Sheldon Eastland, M.D., 1969

The Medical Board for Occupational Diseases was established by Chapter 465, Acts of 1939. The Governor appoints the members of the Board for six-year terms with the approval of the Senate, from lists of nominees submitted by the Deans of the schools of medicine of the University of Maryland and the Johns Hopkins University and the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland. Each of these agencies submits a list of three persons, two of whom are experienced in occupational diseases, and one of whom is an experienced physician in good professional standing. Two must have had at least five years practice in the treating, diagnosis, and care of industrial diseases, and the third must have been trained in roentgenology and must have had five years practice and experience. The Governor designates the Chairman of the Board. The Board hears and adjudicates all claims for compensation for disability caused by an occupational disease. The decisions of the Board are subject to review by the Workmen's Compensation Commission (Code 1957, Art. 101, secs. 22-29).

Appropriations	1965	1966
General Funds .....	\$655,560	\$647,525
Staff: 85.		

**GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION TO REVIEW LAWS GOVERNING THE WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION LAWS**

Chairman: Daniel T. Doherty

Theodore B. Berman, Charles A. Della, R. Roger Drechsler, Sol J. Friedman, Andrew Krug, Douglas MacNab, Charles T. Muntain, Alfred M. Porth, Maurice J. Pressman, Simon F. Reilly, Theodore C. Waters, James A. Wise.

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This Commission was created by the Governor in 1959 to improve the Workmen's Compensation Law and to insure that changes in the law are made to improve the workmen's compensation system in accordance with the standards, but at the same time, to insure that Maryland still remains competitive with the other states.

This Commission meets regularly and recommends to the Governor and the Legislature improvements in the law. The changes considered by this Commission are discussed with representatives of labor, management, and the insurance industry and has resulted in a greater understanding between the various interests. Its recommendations have been well accepted by the Legislature, as well as the workingman and the employer.

**INJURED WORKERS' REHABILITATION COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Joseph W. Spector, 1968

Ex officio members: Daniel T. Doherty, Chairman, Workmen's Compensation Commission; R. Kenneth Barnes, State Director of Vocational Rehabilitation.