

minority leaders of both Houses. These appointments are at the pleasure of the Legislative Council which also designates the Chairman and the Vice Chairman of the Commission.

The Advisory Committee consists of five members appointed by the Governor and who serve at his pleasure. Members must include the Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning or his alternate, the Secretary of State Planning or his alternate, the Attorney General or his alternate, and two other members.

It is the function of this Commission to carry forward the participation of the State as a member of the Council of State Governments. It fosters and maintains contacts and liaison with agencies and representatives of the Federal government, concerning Federal program and activities, while circulating information and data thus obtained among the several agencies of the State and its political subdivisions; it endeavors to advance cooperation between this State and other units of government whenever it seems advisable to do so by formulating proposals for the adoption of compacts, the enactment of uniform or reciprocal statutes, the adoption of uniform or reciprocal administrative rules; the informal cooperation of governmental offices with one another; the interchange and clearance of research and information; and in general, it works to bring the various governments in the United States into close contact and to develop the Council of State Governments for this purpose (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 40, secs. 16-20).

COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PROMOTION OF UNIFORMITY OF LEGISLATION IN THE UNITED STATES

Chairman: M. King Hill, Jr., 1975

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The General Assembly, by Chapter 264, Acts of 1896, established the Commission for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation. The Governor, every four years, appoints three Commissioners, who represent Maryland in the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. They receive no salary but are allowed their actual disbursements for expenses (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 41, secs. 153, 154). The Commissioners meet on call of the chairman to determine what acts to sponsor before the Legislative Council of Maryland. The National Conference drafts laws to be submitted to the legislatures of the several states and recommends measures for the promotion of uniform legislation.

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