

1904, art. 54, sec. 50. 1904, ch. 282, sec. 1.

50. The governor shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, three citizens of the State, who shall constitute a public records' commission, and who shall serve for two years. They shall serve without pay, save that they may receive their necessary expenses out of the fund hereby appropriated. They shall examine into the condition and completeness of the public records, and report thereon to the general assembly with such recommendations as they may deem expedient for the better custody and arrangement and preservation of the same.\*

Ibid. sec. 52. 1904, ch. 282, sec. 3.

51. The words public records shall be held to mean any written or printed book, paper, map or drawing which is required by law to be preserved, filed or recorded in any office of the State, or of any county or municipality, or of any officer or employe of the State, or of any county or municipality.

Ibid. sec. 53. 1904, ch. 282, sec. 4.

52. The paper in all books of record in which are preserved manuscript entries required to be made by any officer of State, county or municipality shall be made of linen rags and new cotton clippings well sized with animal sizing and well finished, and that the ink and type-writer ribbon used in such books of records be of a character approved by the commissioner of the land office.

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\*As to the archives and ancient documents of the province and state published by the Maryland Historical Society, see acts 1906, ch. 256; acts 1908, ch. 91. and acts 1910, ch. 39 (p. 430).