

vided, however, that on and after May 1, 1939, the State Roads Commission shall, in addition to the requirements prescribed in Section 1A of this Article, be so constituted that at all times one member shall be a resident of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, one a resident of the counties of the Western Shore of Maryland and one a resident of Baltimore City.

An. Code, 1924, art. 91, sec. 27. 1912, art. 91, sec. 33. 1908, ch. 141, sec. 32A. 1918, ch. 224, sec. 33. 1922, ch. 29, sec. 33 (p. 64). 1931, ch. 539, sec. 1A.

2. The Governor is hereby authorized and directed to appoint three competent persons, citizens and residents of this State, who shall constitute a special commission, to be known as the "State Roads Commission." In making appointments to and selection for members of the State Roads Commission, the Governor shall always so make his selection and appointments, that at least one member of the State Roads Commission shall *bona fide* belong to or be affiliated with that one of the two leading political parties in the State opposite to the Governor's own political party. The Governor shall have the power, in his discretion, to remove any member of said Commission at any time, and to appoint another person in his stead, and to fill any vacancy in said Commission occasioned by the resignation, removal, death, incapacity, permanent absence from this State, of any member of said Commission, or by reason of any other cause creating a vacancy. One member of said Commission shall be designated by the Governor as Chairman of said Commission and be known as the Director of the Department, he shall receive such salary as may be prescribed by the Governor; the two associate members of said Commission shall each serve without pay. A majority of the members of said Commission shall be a lawful quorum for the transaction of business. The Chairman of said Commission shall preside over its meetings, and perform such other duties as are imposed on him by law, or as may be assigned to him by said Commission. The Commissioners shall take the oath prescribed by Article 1, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State. As soon as the members of said Commission shall have met and qualified, they shall organize by the election of a secretary, not a member of said Commission, who shall be removable at the pleasure of said Commission, and who shall receive such compensation as the Commission may determine, and as may be provided in the Budget. He shall enter in the journal of said Commission and shall carefully preserve neat, legible, full and accurate minutes of all meetings and records of all proceedings of said Commission, and make true copies of all notices directed by said Commission to be published, and of the certificates of publication thereof, and shall perform such other duties as shall appertain to the office of secretary of a private corporation, or as are imposed on him by law, or as may be assigned to him by said Commission. All records of said Commission shall be public records, and the Commission shall, annually, make to the Governor a detailed report of its official transactions, and of all its expenditures and of all liabilities incurred by it. The said Commission may employ such chief engineer, assistant engineer, professional or technical experts, surveyors, agents, assistants, clerks, employees and laborers, skilled and unskilled, and also such advisers and consultants as it may deem requisite for the performance and execution of the powers and duties imposed and conferred by law, and shall fix their respective compensations. Said Commissioners shall have power to exact from any person employed by it such indemnity bond for the faithful per-