

appointed and qualified; each Commissioner within thirty days after notification of his appointment shall take and subscribe the oath or affirmation required by law before the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City; every person appointed Commissioner who shall refuse or neglect to take the said oath or affirmation within the period named shall be deemed to have refused said office, and the Governor shall immediately appoint some person qualified, as provided in [§ 329] § 449 of this article, to fill the vacancy thus created; each of said Commissioners shall receive the sum of thirty-six hundred dollars (\$3,600) annually, and shall further receive his reasonable traveling expenses in attending meetings of said Board in accordance with the standard travel regulations; provided, that said compensation shall be paid out of the fees or other sums received by said Board. The present State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing, under the local laws of Baltimore City, shall continue in office, with all the powers and duties heretofore held by them in Baltimore City, until the Commissioners authorized by this subtitle to be appointed shall be appointed and qualified, and thereupon the duties and authorities of said Board under the local laws of Baltimore City shall be at an end, and they shall turn over all books and papers, and any balance of money received by them and not expended by them, to the Board appointed under the provisions of this subtitle; but nothing herein contained shall be deemed in any way to affect or alter any act heretofore done under the provisions of said local laws, or to affect the punishment for any violation of said local laws, and all violations of said local laws before the same shall be superseded by this law shall be punishable in the same manner as if this law had not been enacted.

[338.] 459.

The provisions of this subtitle shall not apply to Washington County, except as hereinafter provided:

(1) There shall be a Washington County plumbing board which shall consist of five members. Two of the members shall be master plumbers residing in the county, and they shall be appointed annually by the County Commissioners of Washington County. The County Commissioners shall also select annually two members from among the residents of the county. The compensation of these four members shall be as provided by the County Commissioners. The compensation shall be paid, to the extent possible, from the fees of applicants for certificates or permits. The Washington County health officer shall be the fifth member of the board, and he shall receive no additional compensation for serving as a member of the board.

The Washington County plumbing board shall have the sole power to grant certificates and permits to persons