

as from time to time amended, or under any public general law of the State of Maryland applicable to Washington County. After the District has been so redesignated, the County shall no longer have the right or power to increase or decrease the number of Commissioners from that provided by this sub-title or to diminish or change the powers and purposes of said Authority.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That Section 531 (a) and Section 531 (b) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Washington County (1957 Edition, being Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Washington County", sub-title "Sanitary Districts", as said sections were last amended by Chapter 743 of the Laws of Maryland of 1961, be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

531. (a) (1) The powers of the District shall be exercised by the Commission, which shall be composed as follows:

The Commission shall be composed of not less than three citizens of the County, no one of whom shall hold any other office of said County during his term of office on said Commission. The County shall appoint the members of the Commission, whose terms of office shall commence on the date of appointment and one of whom shall serve for two years, one for four years, and one for six years from the January first of the year following the year in which the District shall be created, and thereafter said County shall, at a meeting held not later than one month prior to January first in each year in which a vacancy occurs, appoint as a member of the Commission a citizen of the County, for a term of six years, to succeed the member whose term expires on the January first next succeeding. The County may, by ordinance or resolution, filed and recorded as provided in Section 529 of this sub-title, increase the number of members of said Commission to five [, provided that any such ordinance or resolution shall require that all Commission members reside in subdistricts but that not more than two members shall reside in the same sub-district]. Said ordinance or resolution shall further provide for staggering the terms of the two additional members so that such terms will expire in years different from the years in which the term of the original members expire.

[(b)] (a) (2) Members of the Commission shall hold office until their successors have been appointed, and may succeed themselves, and shall receive such salaries and allowances for expenses as may be determined by the Commission, with the approval of the County, from time to time. If a vacancy shall occur by reason of the death, disqualification, resignation or removal of a member, the County shall immediately appoint a successor *resident in the same subdistrict* to fill his unexpired term.

(b) (1) *At such time as the City of Hagerstown and the County enter into the compact described in Section 530 (c) and the District is thereafter designated as the Hagerstown-Washington County Sanitary Authority, REDESIGNATED, the Commission shall be reconstituted to consist of seven citizens and registered voters of the County, no one of whom during his term of office on said Commission shall hold any other office (i) of said County, or (ii) in the City of Hagerstown, or (iii) in any other incorporated town of said County. Two of the members shall be appointed by majority vote of the Coun-*