

and (5) one of *the* five counties (Montgomery, Frederick, Washington, Allegany, Garrett) of Western Maryland. [One] *Two* other [member] *members* shall be appointed from the State of Maryland, at large. *Until May 31, 1967, the chief of the License Bureau of the State of Maryland shall serve as one of the two members appointed from the State at large, and shall act as chairman of the Commission.*

(b) In each instance, members of the Commission [ , except that chief of the license bureau, ] shall have been citizens and residents of the particular area for which appointed, respectively, for not less than the five years next preceding their appointment to the Commission; and, at the time of appointment, and for a period of not less than the ten years next preceding appointment, each member, except *until May 31, 1967, the chief of the license bureau, shall be and shall have been licensed under this subtitle either as a real estate broker or as a real estate salesman. However, two members may be appointed from the public at large without regard to the particular area for which appointed.*

(c) [Appointments to the Commission shall be made by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The term of office for each appointee is four years, beginning as of June 1 in the year in which appointed. However, of those appointed in the year 1961, the six appointed members of the Commission shall be designated respectively for terms of one, two, and two for three and two for four years. Thereafter as terms expire, all appointments shall be for four years. Every appointment is for the period indicated, or until a successor is appointed and qualifies. Vacancies for any cause shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term, and each such appointee shall possess the qualifications required of members of the Commission from the particular area for which the vacancy occurred.] *The present members of the Commission shall continue to serve for the terms for which they were respectively appointed, except the chief of the License Bureau of the State of Maryland, who shall continue to serve as chairman of the Commission until May 31, 1967. From time to time upon the occurring of vacancies upon the Commission, as now constituted, whether such vacancies shall happen by reason of the expiration of the terms for which the members of said Commission were appointed, respectively, or by reason of any other cause, the Governor shall, with the advice and consent of the Senate of Maryland, appoint a person to fill each vacancy thus occurring, so that said Commission shall continue to consist of seven persons as aforesaid. Each person so appointed shall be appointed for a term of four years, beginning as of June 1 in the year in which appointed, or in case of a vacancy occurring during the term for which any member of said Commission may have been appointed, then for the unexpired portion of said term. Every appointment shall be for the period indicated, or until a successor is appointed and qualifies.*

(d) *The members of the Commission shall, as of June 1, 1967, and annually thereafter, elect from among their members a chairman, who shall serve for a term of one year, and who shall be eligible for re-election for one or more terms during his membership on the Commission. The chairman shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by this subtitle and such other duties as may from time to time be prescribed by the Commission.*