

~~MEMBER, AND (11) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE [STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH] DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE WHO SHALL ALSO BE AN EX OFFICIO MEMBER. THE AUTHORITY, EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO THE EX OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL, SHALL DETERMINE THE METHOD BY WHICH THE MEMBERS ARE SELECTED.~~

SEC. ~~19~~ 16. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That all persons who are as of August 31, 1970 members of boards or commissions, officers and employees of all departments, divisions, boards, commissions and agencies included within the Department of Economic and Community Development are hereby confirmed in the office, position and classification which they hold as of August 31, 1970 as members, officers and employees of such departments, divisions, boards, commissions and agencies, except as otherwise provided in this Act or until they retire, resign or are removed as provided by law, or until the terms to which they were appointed expire.

SEC. ~~20~~ 17. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That all forms of the boards, commissions, offices or other agencies included within the Department of Economic and Community Development existing on August 31, 1970 together with all rules, regulations, orders and other directives relating thereto, or promulgated thereby, and then in effect, shall continue in force pending exercise by the Secretary or the boards, commissions, offices or agencies of the powers, duties and responsibilities vested in him or them by this Act or by other provisions of law.

SEC. ~~21~~ 18. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That if any part of this Act, or any section or part of the section thereof, shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining parts of this Act, or any section or part of a section hereof, the General Assembly hereby declaring that it would have passed the remaining parts of this act, or sections or parts of sections hereof, if such unconstitutionality or invalidity had been known; and to this end, all parts, sections, and parts of sections of this act are declared to be severable.

SEC. ~~22~~ 19. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That all laws or parts of laws, public general or public local, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

SEC. ~~23~~ 20. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That this Act shall take effect September 1, 1970.

Approved May 5, 1970