§ 21-0305. Commissioners; cooperation by departments and officers.

1. In pursuance of article four of said compact, there shall be three members (hereinafter called commissioners) of the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission (hereinafter called commission) from the state of New York. The Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, shall appoint two persons as two of such commissioners, each of whom shall be a resident and citizen of the state of New York. The terms of such commissioners shall continue to be for six years. Each commissioner shall hold office until his successor shall be appointed and qualified. Vacancies occurring in the office of any such commissioner for any reason or cause shall be filled by appointment by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, for the unexpired term. The third commissioner from the state of New York shall be the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation of the state of New York ex officio, and the term of any such ex officio commissioner shall terminate at the time he ceases to hold said office of Commissioner of Environmental Conservation, and his successor as a commissioner shall be his successor as said Commissioner of Environmental Conservation. With the exception of the issuance of any order under the provisions of article nine of the compact, said ex officio commissioner may delegate, from time to time, to any deputy or other subordinate in his department or office the power to be present and participate, including voting, as his representative or substitute at any meeting of, or hearing by, or other proceeding of the commission. The commissioners serving on the effective date of this article shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms, or until their successors have qualified, or until otherwise ceasing to be commissioners pursuant to law.

2. Any commissioner may be removed from office by the Governor upon charges and after a hearing, but opportunity to be heard shall be given.

3. There is hereby granted to the commission and the commissioners thereof all the powers provided for in the said compact and all the powers necessary or incidental to the carrying out of said compact in every particular. All officers of the state of New York are hereby authorized and directed to do all things falling within their respective

provinces and jurisdiction necessary or incidental to the carrying out of said compact in every particular; it being hereby declared to be the policy of the state of New York to perform and carry out the said compact and to accomplish the purposes thereof. All officers, bureaus, departments and persons of and in the state government or administration of the state of New York are hereby authorized and directed at convenient times and upon request of the said commission to furnish the said commission with information and data possessed by them or any of them and to aid said commission by loan of personnel or other means lying within their legal powers respectively.