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joel hurewitz <joelhurewitz@gmail.com> Sunday, July 26, 2020 8:09 PM CouncilMail Kuc, Gary CR93-2020 Outdated State Code Reference in 202(d)

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Dear Council Members,

I have written to you previously about updating the State Code references in the Charter.

I call your attention to the Charter Review Commission Report which as part of the other amendments to the Board of Appeals provision in 501(b) would have also corrected the outdated State Code reference.

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(b) Powers and functions. The Board of Appeals may exercise the functions and powers relating to the hearing and deciding, either originally or on appeal or review, of such matters as are or may be set forth in **THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT** Article 25A, Section 5(u) **10-305** of the Annotated Code of Maryland, **INCLUDING** 

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With any amendments to Section 202, I hope that the reference in 202(d) will also be corrected.

(d) Compensation and allowances. Each member of the Council shall receive as compensation and allowances for the performance of public duties under this Charter the sum of not less than Seventy-eight Hundred Dollars (\$7,800.00) per annum and shall not accrue annual leave or be entitled to any payment in lieu thereof. The compensation and allowances shall be in full compensation for all services required by this Charter to be performed by the members of the Council, but shall not preclude reasonable and necessary expenses as may be provided in the budget. The Council shall establish a Compensation Review Commission every four years to review the Council's compensation and allowances in accordance with the provisions of Article 25A Subsection 5(AA) of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Sincerely,

## Joel Hurewitz

On Fri, Jul 3, 2020 at 11:01 AM joel hurewitz <<u>joelhurewitz@gmail.com</u>> wrote: Dear Council Members,

I am very disappointed that I do not see an amendment to make the technical correction to the State Code citation in Charter Section 202(d). Finding the old Code provisions is extremely difficult if not impossible for the general public.

If it is not amended now, at some future time, an amendment will be needed just to make the technical correction.

## Joel Hurewitz

------ Forwarded message ------From: **joel hurewitz** <<u>joelhurewitz@gmail.com</u>> Date: Wed, Jun 24, 2020 at 10:58 AM Subject: Charter Amendments - State Law Citations and Terms of Boards To: Councilmail <<u>councilmail@howardcountymd.gov</u>>

Dear Council,

In reducing the terms of board members in CR99-2020, it seems that some consideration should also be given to the number of consecutive years in Line 10, and whether something less than eight years is appropriate, or whether three consecutive terms of nine years would be desired for most appointees.

Furthermore, consideration should also be given to amending the similar provisions in Sections 501 and 703 for the Board of Appeals and Personnel Board respectively.

As I testified, there are outdated State Code references in Sections 202(d) and 501(b). If Section 501 were to be amended regarding the terms of the Board of Appeals, then there would also be an opportunity to correct the citation in Section 501(b)

As always, I would be happy to discuss these further.

Sincerely,

Joel Hurewitz