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County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2022 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 13

Bill No. 53-2022

Introduced by: Deb Jung

AN ACT clarifying that a Board or Commission must consist of at least five members; requiring a member of a Board or Commission to be a Howard County resident; providing for exceptions; and generally relating to Boards and Commissions.

Introduced and read first time _____, 2022. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.

By order _____
Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on _____, 2022.

By order _____
Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on _____, 2022 and Passed ____, Passed with amendments _____, Failed _____.

By order _____
Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this ____ day of _____, 2022 at ____ a.m./p.m.

By order _____
Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator

Approved/Vetoed by the County Executive _____, 2022

Calvin Ball, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; Text in small capitals indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1 **Section 1. Be it enacted** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that the Howard County
2 Code is hereby amended as follows:

3 By amending:

4 Title 6. County Executive and the Executive Branch.

5 Subtitle 3. Boards and Commissions.

6 Section 6.300. Boards and Commissions in general.

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8 **Title 6. County Executive and the Executive Branch.**

9 **Subtitle 3. Boards and Commissions**

10 **Sec. 6.300. Boards and Commissions in general.**

11 (a) Under section 404 of the Howard County Charter, members of Boards and Commissions
12 shall be appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the County Council.

13 (b) A Board or Commission shall consist of at least five [[residents of Howard County]]
14 MEMBERS who shall serve:

15 (1) Overlapping terms of three years; or

16 (2) Until a successor is confirmed.

17 (C) UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED IN LAW FOR A PARTICULAR BOARD OR
18 COMMISSION, A MEMBER OF A BOARD OR COMMISSION SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF HOWARD
19 COUNTY.

20 [[(c)] (D) A member is not eligible for immediate reappointment to a Board or Commission if:

21 (1) The member has served eight or more consecutive years on a Board; and

22 (2) The member's term expires.

23 [[(d)] (E) A vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment and for the
24 unexpired term.

25 [[(e)] (F) If County law requires a Board or Commission member to have certain qualifications,
26 the County Executive may appoint a member of the general public after certifying that:

27 (1) A reasonable search was made to find a person who met the specific qualifications; and

28 (2) A person could not be found.

29 [[(f)] (G) Board members shall receive no compensation for their services except reasonable
30 and necessary expenses as may be provided in the budget.

31 **Section 2. Be it further enacted** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that this Act
32 shall become effective 61 days after its enactment.