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## County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2024 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 12

Bill No. 60 -2024

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Amendment - Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

Title: AN ACT amending the membership of the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency to add an ex officio member and to amend the number of members accordingly; and generally relating to boards and commissions.

Introduced and read first time Nov 4, 2024. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.

By order Michelle Harrod  
Michelle 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 Nov 18, 2024.

By order Michelle Harrod  
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on Dec 2, 2024 and Passed ☒ Passed with amendments \_\_\_\_\_, Failed \_\_\_\_\_.

By order Michelle Harrod  
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 3 day of Dec, 2024 at 5<sup>00</sup> a.m./p.m.

By order Michelle Harrod  
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Approved/Vetoed by the County Executive Dec 5, 2024

Calvin Ball  
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 following  
2 *provisions of the Howard County Code are amended:*

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4 *Title 12. Health and Social Services.*

5 *Section 12.1701 "Membership".*  
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7 **Title 12. Health and Social Services.**

8 **Subtitle 17. Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.**  
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10 **Section 12.1701. Membership.**

11 (a) *Number of Members.* The Board shall have a minimum of [[20]]21 members and a maximum  
12 of [[27]]28 members.

13 (b) *Apportionment of Representation.* As practicable, the Board shall consist of a majority  
14 private sector representation and a minority public sector representation.

15 (c) *Method of Appointment.* Each appointed member shall be appointed by the County Executive  
16 and confirmed by the County Council.

17 (d) *Qualifications of Members:*

18 (1) All members shall either reside or work in Howard County.

19 (2) As practicable, the Board shall reflect the gender, geographic, ethnic, and racial makeup  
20 of the County.

21 (3) Ex-officio members from the public sector shall include the following:

22 (i) The Director of the Department of Social Services, or the Director's designee;

23 (ii) The Director of the Department of Community Resources and Services, or the  
24 Director's designee;

25 (iii) The Director of the Howard County Health Department, or the Director's designee;

26 (iv) The Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development or the  
27 Director's designee;

28 (v) The Director of the Department of Corrections, or the Director's designee;

29 (vi) The Administrator of the Office of Workforce Development, or the Administrator's  
30 designee;

31 (vii) The President of Howard Community College, or the President's designee;

- (viii) The Superintendent of the Howard County Public School System, or the Superintendent's designee; [[and ]]
- (ix) The Chairperson of the Howard County Housing Commission or the Chairperson's Designee[.]; AND
- (X) THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER PROTECTION OR THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESIGNEE.
- (4) Ex-officio members from the public sector may include:
- (i) The Chief of the Department of Police, or the Chief's designee; and
- (ii) The Director of the Department of Planning and Zoning, or the Director's designee.
- (5) Appointed members from the private sector shall include:
- (i) A representative from the Community Action Council or any other Federally designated anti-poverty agency;
- (ii) A representative from grassroots or any other homeless shelter serving both individuals and families;
- (iii) A representative from Bridges to Housing Stability or any other provider of family stabilization services;
- (iv) A representative from the Association of Community Services or any other network of human services providers and advocates focused on serving families in Howard County;
- (v) At least one individual who has used the services of emergency, transitional, or subsidized housing;
- (vi) At least one individual who has received cash benefits, services, or both, to support their transition to stable employment;
- (vii) A representative of a Howard County business that provides entry and midlevel employment opportunities;
- (viii) A representative of the Howard County Chamber of Commerce or any other organization whose purpose is to facilitate the success of businesses;
- (ix) A representative of a faith-based organization;
- (x) An individual or representative of a business that provides financial services; and
- (xi) A representative of an organization that provides, or advocates for, transportation services.

1 (6) Appointed members from the private sector may include other community members or  
2 representatives from nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, or faith-based  
3 organizations that:

4 (i) Provide crisis intervention services;

5 (ii) Support the financial stability of individuals and families;

6 (iii) Advocate for the basic needs of County residents; or

7 (iv) Represent the needs of children and families, seniors, or people with mental or  
8 physical disabilities.

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10 ***Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted*** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland,  
11 *that this Act shall become effective 61 days after its enactment.*

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, stands enacted on December 5, 2024.

Michelle R. Harrod  
Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been passed by the yeas and nays of two-thirds of the members of the Council notwithstanding the objections of the Executive, stands enacted on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having received neither the approval nor the disapproval of the Executive within ten days of its presentation, stands enacted on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, not having been considered on final reading within the time required by Charter, stands failed for want of consideration on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been disapproved by the Executive and having failed on passage upon consideration by the Council stands failed on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, the withdrawal of which received a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Council, is withdrawn from further consideration on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council