

Chapter 177

(Senate Bill 512)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Injuries Compensation Board – Membership – Family Member of Homicide Victim

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board to include one person who is a family member of a homicide victim; and generally relating to the membership of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–804
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Criminal Procedure

11–804.

(a) There is a Criminal Injuries Compensation Board in the Department.

(b) (1) The Board consists of five members.

(2) Of the five members of the Board:

(i) **ONE SHALL BE A FAMILY MEMBER OF A HOMICIDE**

VICTIM;

(II) no more than four may belong to the same political party;

and

[(ii)] (III) one shall have been admitted to practice law in the State for at least 5 years immediately preceding the appointment.

(3) The Secretary shall appoint the members of the Board, with the approval of the Governor and the advice and consent of the Senate.

(c) (1) The term of a member is 5 years.

(2) A member who is appointed to fill a vacancy occurring other than by expiration of a term serves for the rest of the unexpired term.

(d) (1) With the approval of the Governor, the Secretary shall designate one member of the Board as chairman.

(2) The chairman serves at the pleasure of the Secretary.

(e) (1) Each member of the Board shall devote the time necessary to perform the duties listed under this subtitle.

(2) Each member of the Board is entitled to:

(i) compensation in accordance with the State budget; and

(ii) reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2014.

Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2014.