

HOUSE BILL 1430

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By: **Delegate Hubbard**

Introduced and read first time: February 13, 2014

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Health – State Children’s Environmental Health and Protection Advisory**
3 **Council – Composition**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the composition of the State Children’s Environmental
5 Health and Protection Advisory Council; increasing the number of members of
6 the Advisory Council; and generally relating to the State Children’s
7 Environmental Health and Protection Advisory Council.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article – Health – General
10 Section 13–1503
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article – Health – General
15 Section 13–1504
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – Health – General**

21 13–1503.

22 There is a State Children’s Environmental Health and Protection Advisory
23 Council.

24 13–1504.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) (1) The Advisory Council shall be composed of **[18] 19** members as
2 follows:

3 (i) One member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the
4 President of the Senate;

5 (ii) One member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the
6 Speaker of the House;

7 (iii) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the
8 Secretary's designee;

9 (iv) The Secretary of the Environment, or the Secretary's
10 designee;

11 (v) The Secretary of Agriculture, or the Secretary's designee;

12 (vi) The Secretary of Education, or the Secretary's designee;

13 (vii) The Secretary of Human Resources, or the Secretary's
14 designee;

15 (viii) The Secretary of Housing and Community Development, or
16 the Secretary's designee;

17 (ix) The Special Secretary of the Governor's Office for Children,
18 Youth, and Families, or the Special Secretary's designee;

19 (x) Two licensed **[pediatric]** health care providers with expertise
20 in the field of children's environmental health, appointed by the Governor;

21 (xi) One representative from **[the Johns Hopkins University] AN**
22 **ACADEMIC INSTITUTION** who has expertise in studying the impact of environmental
23 **[allergies] EXPOSURES** on childhood **[asthma] DISEASE**, appointed by the Governor;

24 (xii) One parent or guardian whose child has been clinically
25 diagnosed as having been exposed to environmental health hazards including lead
26 paint or pesticides, appointed by the Governor;

27 (xiii) One **[environmental]** epidemiologist with expertise in
28 children's environmental health, appointed by the Governor;

29 (xiv) One economist skilled in measuring the economic costs of
30 illness and the benefits of prevention, appointed by the Governor;

1 (xv) One environmental toxicologist with expertise in issues of
2 importance to children's environmental health, appointed by the Governor;

3 (xvi) One representative from the Maryland Association of
4 Counties, appointed by the Governor; [and]

5 (xvii) One individual from private industry representing the
6 regulated community, appointed by the Governor; **AND**

7 **(XVIII) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MARYLAND**
8 **COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES,**
9 **APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR.**

10 (2) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or the Secretary's
11 designee shall serve as the chairman.

12 (3) The Secretary of the Environment or the Secretary's designee shall
13 serve as the vice chairman.

14 (b) (1) The term of a member is 4 years.

15 (2) The terms of the members are staggered as required by the terms
16 provided for members of the Advisory Council on October 1, 2000.

17 (3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor
18 is appointed and qualifies.

19 (4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for
20 the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

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