SENATE BILL 41

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By: Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Domestic and Foreign Nonstock Corporations – Consolidations, Mergers, and 3 Conversions

- FOR the purpose of specifying that certain authority of a nonstock corporation to consolidate, merge, or convert applies only to a domestic Maryland nonstock corporation; altering the authority of a certain nonstock corporation to consolidate or merge; authorizing a foreign nonstock corporation to convert into a domestic Maryland nonstock corporation; prohibiting a foreign nonstock corporation from converting into a Maryland corporation that has the authority to issue stock; and generally relating to domestic Maryland and foreign nonstock corporations.
- 11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 12 Article Corporations and Associations
- 13 Section 5–207
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)
- SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article – Corporations and Associations

 $19 \quad 5-207.$

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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1 (a) (1) A $\overline{\text{DOMESTIC}}$ nonstock corporation may:

2 (1) Consolidate <u>CONSOLIDATE</u> or merge only with another DOMESTIC 3 nonstock corporation; and.

4 (2) Convert <u>A MARYLAND NONSTOCK CORPORATION MAY CONVERT</u> 5 only into a foreign corporation that does not have the authority to issue stock.

6 **(B)** A FOREIGN NONSTOCK CORPORATION MAY CONVERT INTO A DOMESTIC 7 NONSTOCK CORPORATION.

8 (3) A FOREIGN CORPORATION THAT DOES NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY 9 TO ISSUE STOCK:

10(I)MAYCONVERTINTOAMARYLANDNONSTOCK11CORPORATION; AND

12 (II) MAY NOT CONVERT INTO A MARYLAND CORPORATION THAT 13 HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE STOCK.

14 **f**(b)**f**(C) A consolidation, merger, transfer of assets, or conversion of a nonstock 15 corporation shall be effected as provided in Title 3 of this article.

16 f(c) f(c) Notwithstanding § 3–105(e) of this article, a proposed consolidation, 17 merger, transfer of assets, or conversion of a nonstock corporation organized to hold title to 18 property for a labor organization, and for related purposes, shall be approved by the same 19 affirmative vote of the members of the corporation that the constitution or bylaws of the 20 labor organization requires for the same action.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 22 1, 2018.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.