

# SENATE BILL 680

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By: **Harford County Senators**

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Economic Development – Regional Advanced Manufacturing Partnership of**  
3 **Maryland**

4 FOR the purpose of renaming the Regional Additive Manufacturing Partnership of  
5 Maryland to be the Regional Advanced Manufacturing Partnership of Maryland;  
6 renaming the Regional Additive Manufacturing Partnership of Maryland Fund to be  
7 the Regional Advanced Manufacturing Partnership of Maryland Fund; expanding  
8 the purposes of the Partnership; altering the number and composition of the voting  
9 members of the Executive Board; requiring the Board to expand certain  
10 apprenticeship opportunities; requiring the Partnership to submit certain  
11 information to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; requiring the  
12 Department of Commerce and the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation  
13 to consider certain requests for financial support in their annual budget  
14 recommendations; expanding the political subdivisions that may provide financial  
15 support to the Partnership; altering the composition of the Fund; altering certain  
16 definitions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Regional  
17 Advanced Manufacturing Partnership of Maryland.

18 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
19 Article – Economic Development  
20 Section 9–101(a), (c), and (e) and 13–211(b), (c), and (d)  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
22 (2018 Replacement Volume)

23 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
24 Article – Economic Development  
25 Section 13–1201, 13–1202, 13–1203(a) and (b), 13–1207, 13–1209, and 13–1211(a)  
26 and (e)  
27 Annotated Code of Maryland  
28 (2018 Replacement Volume)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
 2 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
 3 Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)  
 4 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 5 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 7 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
 8 Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)82.  
 9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 10 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

13 **Article – Economic Development**

14 9–101.

15 (a) In this division the following words have the meanings indicated.

16 (c) “Department” means the Department of Commerce.

17 (e) “Secretary” means the Secretary of Commerce.

18 13–1201.

19 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

20 (b) [“Additive] **“ADVANCED manufacturing”** means a process of [joining  
 21 materials to make objects from three–dimensional model data, usually layer upon layer, as  
 22 opposed to subtractive manufacturing methodologies] **USING INNOVATIVE**  
 23 **TECHNOLOGIES, MASS PRODUCTION EFFICIENCIES, DIGITAL CONTROL SYSTEMS,**  
 24 **AND TOOLS SUPPORTING INNOVATIVE MANUFACTURING PROCESSES INCLUDING**  
 25 **COMPUTER–AIDED DESIGN, 3–D PRINTING, AND LASER SCANNING AND MAPPING.**

26 (c) “Board” means the Executive Board of the Partnership.

27 (d) “Executive Director” means the Executive Director of the Partnership **WITH**  
 28 **DAY–TO–DAY RESPONSIBILITIES OF EXECUTING THE PURPOSES OF THE**  
 29 **PARTNERSHIP.**

30 (e) “Fund” means the Regional [Additive] **ADVANCED** Manufacturing  
 31 Partnership of Maryland Fund, also known as the RAMP MD Fund.

32 (f) “Partnership” means the Regional [Additive] **ADVANCED** Manufacturing

1 Partnership of Maryland, also known as RAMP MD.

2 (g) "Region" means [Cecil and Harford counties] **ANY PARTICIPATING**  
3 **POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE.**

4 13-1202.

5 (a) There is a Regional [Additive] **ADVANCED** Manufacturing Partnership of  
6 Maryland.

7 (b) (1) The Partnership is a tax-exempt body politic and corporate.

8 (2) The Partnership is an independent unit that the Governor may not  
9 place in a principal department of State government.

10 (c) The purposes of the Partnership are to:

11 (1) foster the economic development of the region by:

12 (i) promoting collaboration among government, businesses,  
13 educational institutions, and entrepreneurs and innovators; [and]

14 (ii) leveraging the established [additive] **ADVANCED** manufacturing  
15 investments in the region, including the facilities at Aberdeen Proving Ground; and

16 **(III) PARTNERING WITH FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL**  
17 **GOVERNMENTS, PRIVATE ENTITIES, AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO PROVIDE**  
18 **A TRAINED AND CERTIFIED ADVANCED MANUFACTURING WORKFORCE THROUGH A**  
19 **REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM; AND**

20 (2) position the State as a leader in [additive] **ADVANCED** manufacturing  
21 **WITH A TRAINED, CERTIFIED, AND READY WORKFORCE.**

22 13-1203.

23 (a) An Executive Board shall manage the Partnership and exercise its corporate  
24 powers.

25 (b) (1) The Board consists of the members described in this subsection.

26 (2) The voting members of the Board are:

27 (i) the Secretary of Commerce, or the Secretary's designee;

28 (ii) [the President of Harford Community College, or the President's  
29 designee] **THE SECRETARY OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION, OR THE**

1 **SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;**

2 (iii) [the President of Cecil College, or the President's designee] **THE**  
3 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY**  
4 **COLLEGES, OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE;**

5 (iv) [the President of Towson University, or the President's designee]  
6 **A REPRESENTATIVE DESIGNATED BY EACH GOVERNING BODY OF A POLITICAL**  
7 **SUBDIVISION THAT PROVIDES MONEY OR IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE**  
8 **PARTNERSHIP;**

9 (v) one representative of the Governor's Workforce Development  
10 Board, appointed by the Executive Director of the Board;

11 (vi) the Commanding General of Aberdeen Proving Ground, or the  
12 Commanding General's designee;

13 (vii) [the Director of the Regional Manufacturing Institute, or the  
14 Director's designee;

15 (viii) the Superintendent of the Harford County Public Schools, or the  
16 Superintendent's designee;

17 (ix) the Superintendent of the Cecil County Public Schools, or the  
18 Superintendent's designee;

19 (x) the County Executive of Cecil County, or the County Executive's  
20 designee;

21 (xi) the County Executive of Harford County, or the County  
22 Executive's designee;

23 (xii)] one representative of the Susquehanna Workforce Network,  
24 appointed by the Executive Director of the network;

25 [(xiii)] **(VIII)** one representative of the Army Alliance, appointed by  
26 the Executive Director of the alliance;

27 [(xiv) one representative of the Northeastern Maryland Technology  
28 Council, appointed by the Executive Director of the council;

29 (xv) the Director of the Cecil County Public Library, or the Director's  
30 designee;

31 (xvi) the Director of the Harford County Public Library, or the  
32 Director's designee;

1 (xvii) at least one representative of 3D Maryland, appointed by the  
2 Director of 3D Maryland;

3 (xviii) one representative of the Maryland Manufacturing Advisory  
4 Board, appointed by the Chair of the Board;]

5 **(IX) THE DIRECTOR OF THE MARYLAND MANUFACTURING**  
6 **EXTENSION PARTNERSHIP OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE; AND**

7 ~~[(xix)]~~ **(X)** at least six representatives of industry who reflect the  
8 influential and emerging industries using ~~[additive]~~ **ADVANCED** manufacturing ~~[as~~  
9 ~~determined by the Department]~~, appointed by the Secretary of Commerce **OR THE**  
10 **SECRETARY OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION**]; and

11 (xx) at least one representative of each organization focused on  
12 additive manufacturing in the State that is interested in collaborating with the  
13 Partnership, appointed by the Director of the representative's respective organization].

14 (3) In addition to the voting members, the Executive Director of the  
15 Partnership shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting member of the Board.

16 (4) To the extent practicable, the members of the Board shall reasonably  
17 reflect the geographic, racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender diversity of the State.

18 13–1207.

19 To further the purposes of this subtitle, the Partnership shall:

20 (1) foster collaborative efforts, including public–private partnerships and  
21 memoranda of understanding, among government agencies, military installations,  
22 educational institutions, businesses, nonprofit organizations, individuals, and other  
23 entities in the region to:

24 (i) share resources, including existing manufacturing  
25 infrastructure;

26 (ii) cooperate in the development of new products and processes;  
27 **[and]**

28 (iii) bridge gaps between research, product development, and the  
29 commercial application of new technologies and manufacturing processes; **AND**

30 **(IV) EXPAND APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN ADVANCED**  
31 **MANUFACTURING;**

1 (2) facilitate the involvement of Harford Community College, Cecil College,  
2 Towson University, and other segments of the higher education community in developing  
3 and sustaining a skilled additive manufacturing workforce through degree, certification,  
4 specialized training, and continuing education programs;

5 (3) assist the Cecil County and Harford County public school systems in  
6 preparing students for employment in the additive manufacturing workforce;

7 (4) support manufacturing businesses in retaining and expanding  
8 production and jobs;

9 (5) obtain, coordinate, and disseminate marketing resources to promote  
10 and enhance additive manufacturing opportunities and investment in the region;

11 (6) support priority access to workforce training funds and enterprise  
12 investment tax credits for entities that are investing resources and creating jobs in the  
13 region;

14 (7) pursue federal, State, local, and other public and private funding and  
15 collaboration initiatives; and

16 (8) perform any other function consistent with the purposes of this subtitle.

17 13–1209.

18 (a) The State and [Cecil and Harford counties] **ANY PARTICIPATING POLITICAL**  
19 **SUBDIVISION** jointly may finance the Partnership and its activities.

20 (b) (1) The State may provide financial support to the Partnership to assist in  
21 carrying out the activities of the Partnership.

22 (2) (i) On or before August 1 of each year, the Partnership shall submit  
23 its proposed work programs and operating budget for the following fiscal year to the  
24 Department **OF COMMERCE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND**  
25 **REGULATION**.

26 (ii) The submission shall include:

27 1. supporting schedules to show how the budget is financed  
28 and to provide for review and recommendations; and

29 2. a specific request to the [Department] **DEPARTMENTS** for  
30 financial support in the following fiscal year.

31 (iii) After review, the [Department] **DEPARTMENTS** shall:

1                   1.       consider including the request for financial support under  
2 subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph in **[its] THE** annual budget recommendations **OF THE**  
3 **DEPARTMENTS**; and

4                   2.       forward the submission and any recommendations to the  
5 Department of Budget and Management for consideration.

6                   **[(3) (i) In accordance with subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, for fiscal**  
7 **year 2016 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor may include in the State budget an**  
8 **appropriation to partially support the Partnership.**

9                   (ii) 1.       Any appropriation in a fiscal year under subparagraph (i)  
10 of this paragraph shall be contingent on the commitment of Cecil and Harford counties to  
11 contribute funds to the Partnership during the same fiscal year.

12                   2.       In determining the amount of an appropriation in a fiscal  
13 year, it is the intent of the General Assembly that the appropriation shall equal at least  
14 two times the total amount committed to be contributed by Cecil and Harford counties in  
15 the same fiscal year.]

16                   (c) (1)       The governing bodies of **[Cecil and Harford counties] ANY**  
17 **PARTICIPATING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS** each year may appropriate funds to the  
18 Partnership to promote the purposes of the Partnership.

19                   (2)       An appropriation under paragraph (1) of this subsection may be a  
20 designated portion of the budget of **[the county Office of Economic Development] A**  
21 **PARTICIPATING POLITICAL SUBDIVISION'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE.**

22                   (d)       The Partnership may accept additional money from any other public or private  
23 source.

24 13–1211.

25                   (a)       There is a Regional **[Additive] ADVANCED** Manufacturing Partnership of  
26 Maryland Fund.

27                   (b)       The purpose of the Fund is to implement this subtitle.

28                   (c)       The Partnership shall administer the Fund.

29                   (d) (1)       The Fund is a special, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to § 7–302 of  
30 the State Finance and Procurement Article.

31                   (2)       The State Treasurer shall hold the Fund separately, and the  
32 Comptroller shall account for the Fund.

- 1 (e) The Fund consists of:
- 2 (1) money appropriated in the State budget to the Fund;
- 3 (2) money appropriated by [Cecil and Harford counties] ANY  
4 **PARTICIPATING POLITICAL SUBDIVISION** to the Partnership;
- 5 (3) money made available to the Fund through federal programs;
- 6 (4) interest and investment earnings of the Fund; and
- 7 (5) any other money from any other source accepted for the benefit of the  
8 Fund.

9 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

10 6–226.

11 (a) (2) (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and unless  
12 inconsistent with a federal law, grant agreement, or other federal requirement or with the  
13 terms of a gift or settlement agreement, net interest on all State money allocated by the  
14 State Treasurer under this section to special funds or accounts, and otherwise entitled to  
15 receive interest earnings, as accounted for by the Comptroller, shall accrue to the General  
16 Fund of the State.

17 (ii) The provisions of subparagraph (i) of this paragraph do not apply  
18 to the following funds:

19 82. the Regional [Additive] **ADVANCED** Manufacturing  
20 Partnership of Maryland Fund;

21 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, That this Act shall take effect July  
22 1, 2019.