

Chapter 270

(Senate Bill 72)

AN ACT concerning

Membership – Department of Juvenile Services State Advisory Board

FOR the purpose of expanding the membership of the State Advisory Board for the Department of Juvenile Services; requiring certain members appointed to the Board from the general public to meet certain requirements; and generally relating to the State Advisory Board for the Department of Juvenile Services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 9–212
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

Article – Human Services

9–212.

(a) The State Advisory Board consists of the following [19] **21** members appointed by the Governor:

- (1) one representative of the Department;
- (2) one representative of the State Department of Education;
- (3) one representative of the Maryland Department of Health;
- (4) one representative of the Department of State Police;
- (5) one representative of the Social Services Administration of the Department of Human Services;
- (6) one representative of a private child welfare agency;
- (7) one representative of a youth services bureau;
- (8) three representatives of the State judiciary;

(9) one representative of the General Assembly recommended by the President of the Senate;

(10) one representative of the General Assembly recommended by the Speaker of the House; [and]

(11) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND STATE'S ATTORNEYS' ASSOCIATION;

(12) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER; AND

[(11)] **(13)** seven members of the general public.

(b) Of the seven members from the general public:

(1) three shall be chosen on the basis of their interest in and experience with minors and juvenile problems;

(2) [three] **TWO** shall:

(i) at the time of appointment to a first term, be at least 16 years old and under the age of 25 years; and

(ii) include at least one individual who has been under the jurisdiction of the Department; ~~AND~~

(3) ONE SHALL BE AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A YOUTH WHO HAS BEEN UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT; AND

(4) ONE SHALL BE A VICTIM ADVOCATE.

(c) (1) The term of a member is 3 years.

(2) The terms of the members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the State Advisory Board on October 1, 2007.

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

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

(5) A member who serves two consecutive full 3-year terms may not be reappointed for 3 years after completion of those terms.

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

Approved by the Governor, April 30, 2019.