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House Bill 718
Ways and Means

(Delegate Rogers, *et al.*)

Budget and Taxation

Anne Arundel County - Local Development Council - Delegate Appointments

This bill alters the membership of the local development council (LDC) in Anne Arundel County by requiring the Anne Arundel County Executive to appoint three delegates (instead of two) who represent the district where the communities surrounding the facility are located, or the delegates' designees. The bill repeals obsolete language and removes a reference that an LDC consists of 15 members. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2022.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. Altering the LDC membership in Anne Arundel County does not affect local governmental finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: An LDC must be established in each area where a video lottery facility is located. An LDC consists of 15 members appointed by the chief executive of the county in which the LDC is located, in consultation with the senators and delegates who represent the communities surrounding the facility and the respective county councils, city councils, or county commissioners. The members consist of:

- one senator who represents the district where the facility is located, or the senator's designee;

- two delegates who represent the districts where the communities surrounding the facility are located, or the delegates' designees;
- one representative of the video lottery operation licensee;
- seven residents of the communities in immediate proximity to the facility; and
- four representatives of businesses or institutions located in immediate proximity to the facility.

Prior to spending local impact grant funds, a county or municipality must develop, in consultation with the LDC, a multi-year plan for services and improvements to be used with local impact grant funds. A county or municipality must submit the plan to the LDC for review and comment before adopting the plan or spending grant funds.

The LDC must advise the county or municipality on the impact of the facility on the communities and the needs and priorities of the communities in immediate proximity to the facility. An LDC has 45 days to review, comment, and make recommendations on the plan. At the request of an LDC, the county or municipality must hold a public hearing on the plan, and Baltimore City must hold a public hearing on the plan for specified local impact grant funds. A county or municipality must make best efforts to accommodate the recommendations of the LDC and any testimony presented at the hearing before adopting the plan.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: SB 918 (Senator Beidle) - Rules.

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