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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Commission on Regulatory Review**

3 FOR the purpose of creating a Commission on Regulatory Review; providing for the  
4 membership, compensation, and staff of the Commission; requiring that the  
5 Commission conduct certain public hearings to collect certain information from  
6 members of the public and members of the regulated industries; authorizing the  
7 Commission to submit to the Governor and to the General Assembly certain reports  
8 by certain dates; and generally relating to the Commission on Regulatory Review.

9 BY adding to

10 Article - State Government  
11 Section 10-140  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (1995 Replacement Volume)

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

16 **Article - State Government**

17 10-140.

18 (A) THERE IS A COMMISSION ON REGULATORY REVIEW.

19 (B) THE COMMISSION CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING NINE MEMBERS:

20 (1) THREE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT LARGE APPOINTED BY THE  
21 GOVERNOR, ONE OF WHOM MUST BE FROM THE MINORITY PARTY;

22 (2) TWO MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
23 DELEGATES;

24 (3) TWO MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;

25 (4) ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES MINORITY  
26 LEADER; AND

27 (5) ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE SENATE MINORITY LEADER.

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1 (C) THE COMMISSION SHALL CHOOSE A CHAIRPERSON FROM AMONG ITS  
2 MEMBERS.

3 (D) A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION:

4 (1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION; BUT

5 (2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE  
6 STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

7 (E) THE COMMISSION SHALL SET THE TIMES AND PLACES OF ITS MEETINGS.

8 (F) THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE SHALL PROVIDE STAFF  
9 SUPPORT FOR THE COMMISSION.

10 (G) THE COMMISSION SHALL:

11 (1) CONDUCT AT LEAST FOUR PUBLIC HEARINGS EACH YEAR TO  
12 SOLICIT SPECIFIC INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND MEMBERS OF  
13 THE REGULATED INDUSTRIES IN THE STATE CONCERNING REGULATIONS THAT  
14 ADVERSELY IMPACT THE PUBLIC AND THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN THE STATE;  
15 AND

16 (2) COMPILE THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED AT THE PUBLIC HEARINGS  
17 AND DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS SPECIFYING REGULATIONS THAT SHOULD BE  
18 ELIMINATED OR MODIFIED.

19 (H) BY JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE  
20 GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1312 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO  
21 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY A PRELIMINARY REPORT OF ITS FINDINGS AND ANY  
22 RECOMMENDATIONS.

23 (I) BY JULY 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT A FINAL  
24 REPORT UNDER THE SAME REQUIREMENTS AS THE PRELIMINARY REPORT UNDER  
25 SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
27 June 1, 1996.