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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Tourism Development Board - Composition**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the membership of the Maryland Tourism
4 Development Board by adding two members appointed from the general public
5 by the President of the Senate of Maryland and the Speaker of the House of
6 Delegates; and generally relating to the composition of the Maryland Tourism
7 Development Board.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development
10 Section 4-203
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

15 **Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development**

16 4-203.

17 (a) There is a Maryland Tourism Development Board in the Department.

18 (b) (1) The Board consists of [15] 17 members appointed as follows:

19 (i) 11 members shall be appointed by the Governor in consultation
20 with the Secretary and with the advice and consent of the Senate;

21 (ii) [2] 3 members shall be appointed by the President of the
22 Senate of Maryland, 1 OF WHOM SHALL BE FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC; and

23 (iii) [2] 3 members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House
24 of Delegates, 1 OF WHOM SHALL BE FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

25 (2) 2 members of the Board at all times shall be members of the General
26 Assembly of Maryland, 1 a member of the Senate of Maryland appointed by the

1 President and the other a member of the House of Delegates appointed by the
2 Speaker.

3 (3) A member of the Board who is a member of the General Assembly
4 may not vote on matters before the Board relating to the exercise of the sovereign
5 powers of the State.

6 (4) In making the appointments, the Governor shall:

7 (i) Ensure that each geographic region of the State is represented;
8 and

9 (ii) Give due consideration to the recommendations made by
10 representatives of the tourism industry and provide balanced representation of the
11 lodging, food service, transportation, and amusements and attractions sectors of the
12 tourism industry.

13 (c) (1) The term of a member is 3 years and begins on July 1.

14 (2) The terms of the members are staggered as required by the terms
15 provided for the members of the Board on July 1, 1993.

16 (3) Any member is eligible for reappointment, but after serving for 2
17 consecutive 3-year terms, a member may not be reappointed until the expiration of at
18 least one year after the termination of the member's previous tenure. Vacancies shall
19 be filled immediately for the remainder of the unexpired portion of the term. A
20 member shall hold office until a successor has been appointed.

21 (4) A member of the General Assembly who is appointed to the Board by
22 the President or the Speaker serves until a successor is appointed.

23 (d) Each member of the Board appointed by the Governor serves at the
24 pleasure of the Governor. Members of the Board shall serve without compensation,
25 but each member shall be reimbursed for necessary travel and other expenses
26 incurred in the performance of official duties in accordance with the Standard State
27 Travel Regulations. The Board shall select annually from its membership a chairman,
28 4 vice-chairmen, 1 each to represent the lodging, food service, transportation, and
29 attractions sectors, and a secretary-treasurer.

30 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
31 October 1, 1998.