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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Health Services Cost Review Commission - Number and Appointment**  
3 **of Members**

4 FOR the purpose of increasing the number of members on the State Health Services  
5 Cost Review Commission; requiring certain members of the Commission to be  
6 appointed from certain counties; repealing certain obsolete provisions of law  
7 establishing the initial terms of the Commission members; providing that  
8 certain members of the Commission may continue to serve the remainder of  
9 their terms; specifying the terms of the members of the Commission; and  
10 generally relating to the State Health Services Cost Review Commission.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
12 Article - Health - General  
13 Section 19-201(a) and (b)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
17 Article - Health - General  
18 Section 19-203  
19 Annotated Code of Maryland  
20 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

1 **Article - Health - General**

2 19-201.

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

4 (b) "Commission" means the State Health Services Cost Review Commission.

5 19-203.

6 (a) (1) The Commission consists of [7] 11 members appointed by the  
7 Governor.

8 (2) Of the [7] 11 members[.]:

9 (I) 4 shall be individuals who do not have any connection with the  
10 management or policy of any facility;11 (II) 1 SHALL BE AN INDIVIDUAL FROM CALVERT COUNTY, CHARLES  
12 COUNTY, OR ST. MARY'S COUNTY;13 (III) 1 SHALL BE AN INDIVIDUAL FROM ALLEGANY COUNTY,  
14 CARROLL COUNTY, FREDERICK COUNTY, GARRETT COUNTY, OR WASHINGTON  
15 COUNTY;16 (IV) 1 SHALL BE AN INDIVIDUAL FROM CAROLINE COUNTY, CECIL  
17 COUNTY, DORCHESTER COUNTY, KENT COUNTY, QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, SOMERSET  
18 COUNTY, TALBOT COUNTY, WICOMICO COUNTY, OR WORCESTER COUNTY; AND

19 (V) 1 SHALL BE AN INDIVIDUAL FROM HARFORD COUNTY.

20 (b) Each member shall be interested in problems of health care.

21 (c) (1) The term of a member is 4 years.

22 (2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms  
23 provided for members of the Commission on July 1, [1982] 2003. [The terms of those  
24 members end as follows:

25 (i) 2 in 1983;

26 (ii) 1 in 1984;

27 (iii) 2 in 1985; and

28 (iv) 2 in 1986.]

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

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

3           (5)     A member who serves 2 consecutive full 4-year terms may not be  
4 reappointed for 4 years after completion of those terms.

5     SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

6           (a)     Any member of the State Health Services Cost Review Commission  
7 serving on June 30, 2003, may continue to serve the remainder of the member's term.

8           (b)     The terms of the members of the Commission serving on June 30,  
9 2003, shall expire as follows:

10                   (1)     two members on July 1, 2003;

11                   (2)     one member on July 1, 2004;

12                   (3)     two members on July 1, 2005; and

13                   (4)     two members on July 1, 2006.

14           (c)     The terms of the new members of the Commission appointed as  
15 required under § 19-203 of the Health - General Article, as enacted by Section 1 of  
16 this Act, shall expire as follows:

17                   (1)     one member on July 1, 2004;

18                   (2)     one member on July 1, 2005;

19                   (3)     one member on July 1, 2006; and

20                   (4)     one member on July 1, 2007.

21     SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
22 July 1, 2003.