

**SB0039/337675/1**

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 39  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “Transfer” in line 2 down through “Development” in line 3 and substitute “Strategic Plan and Membership”; strike beginning with “transferring” in line 4 down through “changes;” in line 21 and substitute “requiring the Maryland Economic Development Commission to incorporate the Maryland Port Administration strategic plan when developing a strategic plan for economic development; increasing the membership of the Maryland Port Commission to include the Secretary of Business and Economic Development as a nonvoting ex officio member; clarifying language;”; and after line 22, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 83A – Department of Business and Economic Development  
Section 1–201 and 1–202(a) and (b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2003 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 83A – Department of Business and Economic Development  
Section 1–202(c)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2003 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation  
Section 6–201(a) and (b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2001 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

(Over)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 6–201(c) and (f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, strike in their entirety lines 23 and 24 and substitute:

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

Article 83A – Department of Business and Economic Development

1–201.

There is a Maryland Economic Development Commission in the Department of Business and Economic Development.

1–202.

(a) The Commission shall have the general purpose of establishing economic development policy in the State and overseeing the Department’s efforts to attract, retain, and support the creation of businesses and jobs.

(b) The Commission shall:

(1) Develop and update a strategic plan for economic development in the State;

(2) Recommend to the Governor program and spending priorities necessary to implement the strategic plan;

(3) Approve Department regulations pertaining to financing programs prior to their adoption;

- (4) Review the allocation of financing incentives;
  - (5) Participate in marketing the State and encouraging new businesses to locate in Maryland;
  - (6) Raise private sector contributions and funds to supplement economic development programs and financial incentives to business;
  - (7) Carry out any other economic development activities at the request of the Governor; and
  - (8) Exercise those powers granted to the Commission by this title or any other provision of law.
- (c) In developing a strategic plan for economic development, the Commission shall [seek]:

- (1) SEEK ideas and advice from each region of the State; AND
- (2) INCORPORATE THE MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION STRATEGIC PLAN DEVELOPED FOR THE HELEN DELICH BENTLEY PORT OF BALTIMORE.

Article – Transportation

6–201.

- (a) There is a Maryland Port Commission.
- (b) The Commission shall:
  - (1) Establish policies directed toward improving the competitive position of the ports of Maryland within the international port industry;
  - (2) Adopt regulations for the operation of the Administration in a competitive manner within the port industry;

(Over)

(3) Exercise those powers granted to the Commission and to the Maryland Port Administration by this title or by any other provision of law;

(4) Unless otherwise directed by the Secretary, serve as the board of directors of any private operating company created under this title; and

(5) In carrying out the provisions of this subtitle, seek information and advice from port labor and management groups.

(c) (1) The Commission shall consist of 7 VOTING members, 6 of whom shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate and the 7th shall be the Secretary of Transportation who shall be the Chairman of the Commission.

**(2) THE SECRETARY OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SHALL SERVE AS A NONVOTING EX OFFICIO COMMISSION MEMBER.**

(f) The Commission shall meet at a time and place designated by the Chairman of the Commission. The Commission shall meet as often as its duties require, but not less than quarterly. Attendance by 4 VOTING members shall constitute a quorum.”.

On pages 2 through 15, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 1 on page 2 through line 7 on page 15, inclusive.

On page 15, in line 8, strike “13.” and substitute “2.”.