SENATE BILL 161

By: **Senator Middleton** Introduced and read first time: January 20, 2009 Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2	Injured Workers' Insurance Fund – Board – Term Limits
$3 \\ 4 \\ 5$	FOR the purpose of altering the limits on the terms that may be served by a member of the Board for the Injured Workers' Insurance Fund; and generally relating to the Board for the Injured Workers' Insurance Fund.
6 7 8 9 10	BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Labor and Employment Section 10–109 Annotated Code of Maryland (2008 Replacement Volume)
$11 \\ 12 \\ 13 \\ 14 \\ 15$	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Labor and Employment Section 10–110 Annotated Code of Maryland (2008 Replacement Volume)
$16\\17$	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
18	Article – Labor and Employment
19	10–109.
20	There is a Board for the Injured Workers' Insurance Fund.
21	10–110.
22 23	(a) The Board consists of 9 members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1	(b) Each member shall be a citizen of the State.
$2 \\ 3$	(c) Before taking office, each appointee to the Board shall take the oath required by Article I, § 9 of the Maryland Constitution.
4	(d) (1) The term of a member is 5 years.
5 6	(2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the Board on October 1, 1991.
7 8	(3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
9 10	(4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
$\begin{array}{c} 11 \\ 12 \end{array}$	(5) [(i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, a] A member may not serve for more than:
13	(I) two FULL terms; OR
14 15	(ii) [Service for a partial term of 1 year or less may not be counted toward the two-term limitation] A TOTAL OF MORE THAN 10 YEARS.
16	(e) The Governor may remove a member for incompetence or misconduct.
17 18	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2009.

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