

Chapter 99

(House Bill 108)

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board; requiring that the composition of the Board as to the race and gender of its members reflect the composition of the population of the State; and generally relating to the membership of the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Business Regulation
Section 3–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation
Section 3–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

Article – Business Regulation

3–301.

In this subtitle, “Board” means the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board.

3–304.

(a) (1) The Board consists of 9 members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

(2) Of the 9 members of the Board:

(i) 1 shall be a mechanical engineer;

(ii) 1 shall represent owners of carnivals;

(iii) 1 shall represent the State Fair and the county fairs;

(IV) 1 SHALL REPRESENT AMUSEMENT RIDE RENTAL OPERATORS;

[(iv)] (v) 2 shall represent owners of amusement parks; and

[(v)] (vi) **[4]** 3 shall be consumer members.

(3) In choosing the members of the Board, the Governor shall make every effort to ensure that each region of the State is represented.

(4) THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD AS TO THE RACE AND GENDER OF ITS MEMBERS SHALL REFLECT THE COMPOSITION OF THE POPULATION OF THE STATE.

(b) Each consumer member of the Board shall be a member of the general public.

(c) (1) The term of a member is 4 years and begins on July 1.

(2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the Board on October 1, 1992.

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

(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.

(d) The Governor may remove a member for incompetence or misconduct.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2011.

Approved by the Governor, April 12, 2011.