

HOUSE BILL 175

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By: ~~Delegates Cluster, Aumann, Boteler, Bromwell, Burns, Cardin, Frank, Impallaria, Kach, Lafferty, McDonough, Minnick, Morhaim, Stein, Szeliga, and Weir~~ Baltimore County Delegation

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore County Revenue Authority – Public Ethics Law**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the provisions of the Maryland Public Ethics Law to
4 include each member and ~~employee~~ the chief executive of the Baltimore County
5 Revenue Authority in the definition of “local official” for all purposes of the
6 Baltimore County Public Ethics Law; and generally relating to public ethics
7 laws and the Baltimore County Revenue Authority.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article – State Government
10 Section 15–803
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article – State Government
15 Section 15–807(b)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 **Article – State Government**

2 15–803.

3 (a) Subject to § 15–209 of this title, each county and each municipal
4 corporation shall enact provisions to govern the public ethics of local officials relating
5 to:

6 (1) conflicts of interest;

7 (2) financial disclosure; and

8 (3) lobbying.

9 (b) Each local ethics commission or appropriate entity shall certify to the
10 Ethics Commission that the county or municipal corporation is in compliance with the
11 requirements for elected local officials of this Part I on or before October 1 of each
12 year.

13 15–807.

14 (b) **[For] IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, “LOCAL OFFICIAL” INCLUDES:**

15 **(1) EACH MEMBER AND ~~EMPLOYEE~~ THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF**
16 **THE BALTIMORE COUNTY REVENUE AUTHORITY; AND**

17 **(2) FOR** the purpose of the financial disclosure provisions enacted by
18 the governing body of Baltimore County, [“local official” includes:

19 (1) the executive director and each member of the revenue authority;
20 and

21 **(2)]** except for a member of the Baltimore County Board of Education,
22 each member of a board of a State agency that is wholly or partly funded by Baltimore
23 County, regardless of whether the member is compensated.

24 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED,** That this Act shall take effect
25 October 1, 2012.