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BY: Environment and Transportation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 4
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “repealing” in line 3 down through “trustees” in line 6 and substitute “altering the number of trustees of the Maryland Environmental Trust; altering the number of trustees that are elected to the Trust beginning on a certain date; altering the manner in which a trustee is elected; requiring that a certain number of trustees be elected in a certain month and year; specifying that certain recommendations for an elected trustee represent and reflect certain criteria; prohibiting an elected trustee from serving more than a certain number of consecutive terms, subject to a certain exception”; in line 7, after “expenses;” insert “altering the number of times the trustees are required to meet; altering the number of trustees that may request a meeting for which the chair is required to call a meeting; altering the number of trustees that constitute a quorum;”; in lines 8 and 9, strike “an appointed trustee” and substitute “certain elected trustees”; in line 9, after “conforming” insert “and stylistic”; and in line 13, after “3-202” insert “and 3-204”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 1, strike “15” and substitute “**19**”; in line 5, strike “**THE**” and substitute “**SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPHS (II) AND (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, BEGINNING ON JUNE 1, 2017, OF THE**”; in the same line, strike “12” and substitute “**16**”; in the same line, strike “[, three” and substitute “**, FOUR**”; in line 6, strike “unanimous” and substitute “**A MAJORITY**”; strike beginning with the bracket in line 7 down through “**SENATE**” in line 8; after line 8, insert:

“(II) IN ORDER TO BRING THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES UP TO 16 ELECTED TRUSTEES, FOUR TRUSTEES SHALL BE ELECTED IN OCTOBER 2016.

(Over)

(III) THE TRUSTEES SHALL ELECT A TRUSTEE AS FOLLOWS:

1. THE GOVERNOR SHALL SUBMIT THREE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OF WHICH TWO SHALL BE ELECTED;

2. THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE SHALL SUBMIT THREE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OF WHICH ONE SHALL BE ELECTED; AND

3. THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES SHALL SUBMIT THREE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OF WHICH ONE SHALL BE ELECTED.”;

in lines 9 and 15, strike “(II)” and “(III)”, respectively, and substitute “(IV)” and “(V)”, respectively; strike beginning with “THE” in line 11 down through “insofar” in line 13 and substitute “INSOFAR”; in line 14, after “Trust” insert “, THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AN ELECTED TRUSTEE SHALL:

1. REPRESENT A BROAD DISTRIBUTION OF PROFESSIONS AND GEOGRAPHIES;

2. REFLECT THE DIVERSITY OF THE STATE; AND

3. REPRESENT INDIVIDUALS WITH EXPERIENCE IN ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

A. CONSERVATION OR PRESERVATION OF PARKLANDS, AGRICULTURAL LAND, FOREST LAND, HISTORIC AND CULTURAL PROPERTIES, NATURAL AREAS, OR IMPORTANT RECREATIONAL LANDS;

B. AGRICULTURE, INCLUDING THE HORSE INDUSTRY;

C. COMMUNITY PLANNING AND LAND USE POLICY, WITH AN EMPHASIS ON COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY, HEALTH COMMUNITIES, COMMUNITY FOOD SYSTEMS, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION, OR GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE;

D. ACADEMIC WORK IN NATURAL SCIENCE, SOCIAL SCIENCE, OR CULTURAL SCIENCE AT THE UNIVERSITY LEVEL; AND

E. BUSINESS LEADERSHIP, GOVERNANCE, OR FUND-RAISING IN ANY OF THE CATEGORIES IDENTIFIED UNDER THIS ITEM”;

strike beginning with “**THE**” in line 15 down through “**APPOINTED**” in line 16 and substitute “**EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, AN ELECTED**”; after line 17, insert:

“2. THE CHAIR MAY SERVE A THIRD CONSECUTIVE TERM IF ELECTED AS CHAIR DURING OR AFTER THE SECOND YEAR OF THE CHAIR’S SECOND TERM.”;

in line 18, strike “**APPOINTED**” and substitute “**ELECTED**”; in line 20, strike “**OCTOBER**” and substitute “**JUNE**”; strike beginning with “**AT**” in line 21 down through “**5.**” in line 23; in line 23, strike “**APPOINTED**” and substitute “**ELECTED TO FILL A VACANCY THAT ARISES**”; in line 24, strike “**SERVES**” and substitute “**:**”

A. SHALL BE ELECTED FROM RECOMMENDATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE GOVERNOR, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, OR THE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBPARAGRAPH
(III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, AS APPLICABLE; AND

B. SERVES”;

and in line 25, strike “APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES” and substitute “ELECTED”.

On page 3, after line 6, insert:

“3-204.

(A) The trustees shall elect from among the elected membership a [chairman] CHAIR, secretary, and other officers as they determine.

(B) The trustees shall meet at least [twice] FOUR TIMES a year at places and on dates they determine.

(C) The [chairman] CHAIR may call other meetings, and must call one at the request of [four] SIX or more trustees.

(D) The secretary shall notify in writing every trustee of the time and place of every meeting at least seven days in advance of the meeting, except that meetings may be held on shorter notice if all trustees agree.

(E) [Eight] TEN trustees constitute a quorum to conduct business.

(F) If at any time there is no director, the [chairman] CHAIR shall assume the director’s duties and powers.

(G) The [chairman] CHAIR with the consent of the trustees may appoint an advisory council.”;

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in line 9, strike “appointed” and substitute “elected”; in line 12, strike “appointed” and substitute “four”; in the same line, after “Trust” insert “elected under § 3-202(a)(3)(ii) of the Natural Resources Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.”; in lines 13, 14, 15, and 16, strike “2019 for all trustees”, “2020 for all trustees”, “2021 for all trustees”, and “2022 for all trustees”, respectively, and substitute “2017 for one trustee”, “2018 for one trustee”, “2019 for one trustee”, and “2020 for one trustee”, respectively; in lines 14, 15, and 16, strike “2017”, “2018”, and “2019”, respectively, and substitute “2016”, “2016”, and “2016”, respectively; and in line 18, strike “October” and substitute “June”.