

SENATE BILL 22

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ENROLLED BILL
— Finance/Appropriations —

Introduced by **Senator Benson**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Human Services – Interagency Council on Homelessness – Membership**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the composition of the Interagency Council on Homelessness;
4 increasing the number of representatives from diverse geographical regions of the
5 State engaged in homeless advocacy; ~~specifying the chair of the Council; repealing~~
6 ~~certain provisions of law regarding the designation of the chair of the Council and~~
7 ~~the terms~~ altering the method of selecting and qualifications of the chair of the
8 Council; stating the intent of the General Assembly that certain designees have
9 certain decision making authority under certain circumstances; making a stylistic
10 change; and generally relating to the Interagency Council on Homelessness.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

12 Article – Human Services

13 Section 6–418

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

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.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 (2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

2 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 3 Article – Human Services
 4 Section 6–419 *and* 6–420
 5 Annotated Code of Maryland
 6 (2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

7 ~~BY repealing~~

8 ~~Article – Human Services~~
 9 ~~Section 6–420~~
 10 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
 11 ~~(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)~~

12 ~~BY renumbering~~

13 ~~Article – Human Services~~
 14 ~~Section 6–421, 6–422, 6–423, and 6–424, respectively~~
 15 ~~to be Section 6–420, 6–421, 6–422, and 6–423, respectively~~
 16 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
 17 ~~(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)~~

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

20 **Article – Human Services**

21 6–418.

22 There is an Interagency Council on Homelessness.

23 6–419.

24 (a) The Council consists of the following members:

25 (1) the Secretary of Aging, or the Secretary's designee;

26 (2) the Secretary of Budget and Management, or the Secretary's designee;

27 (3) the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the Secretary's
 28 designee;

29 (4) the Secretary of Housing and Community Development, or the
 30 Secretary's designee;

31 (5) the Secretary, or the Secretary's designee;

1 (6) the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, or the Secretary's
2 designee;

3 (7) the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, or the
4 Secretary's designee;

5 (8) the State Superintendent of Schools, or the State Superintendent's
6 designee;

7 (9) the Secretary of Transportation, or the Secretary's designee;

8 (10) the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or the Secretary's designee;

9 (11) the Secretary of Juvenile Services, or the Secretary's designee; ~~and~~

10 **(12) THE SECRETARY OF DISABILITIES, OR THE SECRETARY'S**
11 **DESIGNEE; AND**

12 ~~(12)~~ **(13)** the following members, appointed by the Governor:

13 (i) one representative of the Governor's Office for Children;

14 (ii) three representatives of local Continuums of Care;

15 (iii) [six] **NINE** representatives from diverse geographical regions of
16 the State engaged in homeless advocacy with a focus on housing, employment, and access
17 to [healthcare] **HEALTH CARE**; and

18 (iv) one community representative who has personally experienced
19 homelessness.

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

21 ~~(c) THE SECRETARY SHALL BE THE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL.~~

22 ~~§6-420.~~

23 (a) ~~From among its members, the Council shall elect a chair~~ **THE GOVERNOR**
24 **SHALL DESIGNATE AS CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL A MEMBER WHO IS A SECRETARY OR A**
25 **SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE WITH DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY ON ISSUES THAT**
26 **RELATE TO THE WORK OF THE COUNCIL.**

27 ~~(b) After the election of the first chair, a candidate for chair must be a member of~~
28 ~~the Council who attended at least a majority of the Council's meetings during the year~~
29 ~~immediately preceding the election.~~

1 ~~(e)~~ **(B)** The term of the chair is 2 years.

2 ~~(d)~~ **(C)** The chair may not serve consecutive terms.

3 ~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 6-421, 6-422,~~
4 ~~6-423, and 6-424, respectively, of Article — Human Services of the Annotated Code of~~
5 ~~Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 6-420, 6-421, 6-422, and 6-423, respectively.~~

6 ~~SECTION 2.~~ SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the
7 General Assembly that a Secretary’s or State Superintendent’s designee on the Interagency
8 Council on Homelessness have decision making authority on issues that relate to the work
9 of the Council.

10 SECTION ~~2.~~ 4. ~~3.~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 June 1, 2016.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.