

HOUSE BILL 1465

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By: **Delegate Hayes**

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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Police Community Policing Steering Committee**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Baltimore City Police Community Policing Steering
4 Committee; providing for the composition, terms of office, quorum, chair, governance
5 procedures, subcommittee structure, meetings, and duties of the Committee;
6 providing that the Committee is subject to open meetings laws; requiring the
7 Committee, in cooperation with the Baltimore City Police Department, to develop
8 annually a Baltimore City Police Department Community Interaction Plan;
9 specifying the focus of the Plan; requiring the Plan to include certain elements;
10 requiring the Committee to submit the Plan to the Mayor of Baltimore, the Baltimore
11 City Council, and the members of the Baltimore City Senate and House Delegations
12 to the General Assembly on or before a certain date annually; defining certain terms;
13 and generally relating to the Baltimore City Police Community Policing Steering
14 Committee.

15 BY adding to

16 The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City

17 Section 16–15

18 Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

19 (1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

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

22 **Article 4 – Baltimore City**

23 **16–15.**

24 **(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS**
25 **INDICATED.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(2) “COMMITTEE” MEANS THE BALTIMORE CITY POLICE**
2 **COMMUNITY POLICING STEERING COMMITTEE.**

3 **(3) “PLAN” MEANS THE BALTIMORE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT**
4 **COMMUNITY INTERACTION PLAN.**

5 **(B) THERE IS A BALTIMORE CITY POLICE COMMUNITY POLICING**
6 **STEERING COMMITTEE.**

7 **(C) (1) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF:**

8 **(I) ONE MEMBER OF THE BALTIMORE CITY HOUSE**
9 **DELEGATION TO THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY, DESIGNATED BY THE**
10 **SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES;**

11 **(II) ONE MEMBER OF THE BALTIMORE CITY SENATE**
12 **DELEGATION TO THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY, DESIGNATED BY THE**
13 **PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;**

14 **(III) THE CHAIR OF THE CITY COUNCIL’S PUBLIC SAFETY**
15 **COMMITTEE;**

16 **(IV) TWO DESIGNEES OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY**
17 **COUNCIL;**

18 **(V) THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE;**

19 **(VI) THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND WAGE**
20 **ENFORCEMENT; AND**

21 **(VII) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS, APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR**
22 **WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL:**

23 **1. ONE RESIDENT OF EACH OF THE NINE POLICE**
24 **DISTRICTS OF BALTIMORE CITY;**

25 **2. A RESIDENT OF BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC HOUSING;**

26 **3. AN INDIVIDUAL BETWEEN THE AGES OF 14 AND 21**
27 **YEARS;**

28 **4. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY;**

1 **5. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL,**
2 **AND TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY;**

3 **6. AN INDIVIDUAL WITH EXPERTISE IN THE AREA OF**
4 **REENTRY AFTER INCARCERATION;**

5 **7. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF**
6 **POLICE; AND**

7 **8. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE VANGUARD JUSTICE**
8 **SOCIETY.**

9 **(2) (I) THE TERM OF A MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR IS 4**
10 **YEARS.**

11 **(II) THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR**
12 **ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE**
13 **COMMITTEE ON OCTOBER 1, 2017.**

14 **(III) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE**
15 **MAYOR CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.**

16 **(IV) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM HAS BEGUN**
17 **SERVES ONLY FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED**
18 **AND QUALIFIES.**

19 **(V) NO MEMBER MAY SERVE FOR MORE THAN TWO TERMS.**

20 **(3) A MAJORITY OF THE AUTHORIZED MEMBERSHIP OF THE**
21 **COMMITTEE IS A QUORUM.**

22 **(4) THE COMMITTEE SHALL ANNUALLY ELECT A CHAIR.**

23 **(5) THE COMMITTEE SHALL ESTABLISH GOVERNANCE PROCEDURES**
24 **AND SUBCOMMITTEE STRUCTURE BY MAJORITY VOTE.**

25 **(6) THE COMMITTEE SHALL HOLD PUBLIC MEETINGS AT LEAST ONCE**
26 **QUARTERLY.**

27 **(7) THE COMMITTEE IS SUBJECT TO OPEN MEETINGS LAWS.**

1 **(D) (1) THE COMMITTEE, IN COOPERATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT,**
2 **SHALL DEVELOP ANNUALLY A BALTIMORE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY**
3 **INTERACTION PLAN, WHICH SHALL FOCUS ON CREATING CONSISTENT POSITIVE**
4 **INTERACTIONS BETWEEN POLICE OFFICERS AND COMMUNITY RESIDENTS.**

5 **(2) THE PLAN SHALL:**

6 **(I) 1. ENSURE THAT ALL POLICE OFFICERS WILL ACTIVELY**
7 **PARTICIPATE IN NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS AND EVENTS THAT WILL BRING POLICE**
8 **TOGETHER WITH A WIDE ARRAY OF CITY RESIDENTS;**

9 **2. REQUIRE THAT ALL NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS AND**
10 **EVENTS BE REPORTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL MONTHLY; AND**

11 **3. REQUIRE THAT ALL POLICE OFFICERS ARE**
12 **SCHEDULED TO ATTEND A SPECIFIED NUMBER OF EVENTS EACH YEAR;**

13 **(II) OUTLINE STEPS TO ENSURE LONG-TERM CONSISTENT**
14 **INTERACTION BETWEEN POLICE OFFICERS AND YOUTH IN BALTIMORE'S SCHOOLS,**
15 **RECREATION CENTERS, AND OTHER YOUTH PROGRAMS;**

16 **(III) OUTLINE STEPS TO ENSURE THAT POLICE OFFICERS**
17 **INTERACT DIRECTLY WITH MEMBERS OF THE REENTRY COMMUNITY IN A POSITIVE**
18 **MANNER;**

19 **(IV) DIRECT THAT EMPHASIS BE PLACED ON CREATING**
20 **POSITIVE INTERACTIONS WITH BALTIMORE'S AFRICAN AMERICAN, LESBIAN, GAY,**
21 **BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM, PUBLIC HOUSING, AND**
22 **IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE COMMUNITIES;**

23 **(V) DIRECT THAT EMPHASIS BE PLACED ON IMPROVING**
24 **RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE SMALL BUSINESS**
25 **COMMUNITY;**

26 **(VI) PROVIDE INPUT ON CITIZEN-INVOLVED TRAINING FOR**
27 **POLICE OFFICERS;**

28 **(VII) LIST AND EVALUATE NONPROFIT AND NONLAW**
29 **ENFORCEMENT PARTNERSHIPS;**

30 **(VIII) INCLUDE A PLAN FOR HOMELESS AND LESBIAN, GAY,**
31 **BISEXUAL, AND TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY INTERACTIONS;**

1 **(IX) ADDRESS EFFORTS TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN CITY**
2 **RESIDENTS AS POLICE OFFICERS;**

3 **(X) OUTLINE STEPS FOR FORMING AND MAINTAINING**
4 **COORDINATED RELATIONSHIPS WITH COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES LOCATED IN**
5 **BALTIMORE CITY, INCLUDING MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY AND COPPIN STATE**
6 **UNIVERSITY; AND**

7 **(XI) INCLUDE ANY OTHER ITEMS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE**
8 **FOCUS OF THE COMMITTEE AS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

9 **(E) THE COMMITTEE SHALL ALSO:**

10 **(1) REVIEW, ON A QUARTERLY BASIS, THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 3-510**
11 **OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND; AND**

12 **(2) PERFORM SUCH OTHER DUTIES AS APPROVED BY A MAJORITY**
13 **VOTE OF THE ENTIRE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP.**

14 **(F) ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 15 ANNUALLY, THE COMMITTEE SHALL**
15 **SUBMIT THE PLAN FOR THE FOLLOWING CALENDAR YEAR TO THE MAYOR, THE CITY**
16 **COUNCIL, AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT**
17 **ARTICLE, THE MEMBERS OF THE BALTIMORE CITY HOUSE AND SENATE**
18 **DELEGATIONS TO THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the terms of the initial
20 appointed members of the Baltimore City Police Community Policing Steering Committee
21 shall expire as follows:

22 (1) the term of the Central police district representative shall expire in
23 2018;

24 (2) the term of the Southeastern police district representative shall expire
25 in 2018;

26 (3) the term of the representative of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and
27 transgender community shall expire in 2018;

28 (4) the term of one designee of the President of the City Council shall expire
29 in 2018;

30 (5) the term of the Eastern police district representative shall expire in
31 2019;

- 1 (6) the term of the Northern police district representative shall expire in
2 2019;
- 3 (7) the term of the representative of the Hispanic community shall expire
4 in 2019;
- 5 (8) the term of the member with expertise in the area of reentry after
6 incarceration shall expire in 2019;
- 7 (9) the term of the Northwestern police district representative shall expire
8 in 2020;
- 9 (10) the term of the Western police district representative shall expire in
10 2020;
- 11 (11) the term of the Southern police district representative shall expire in
12 2020;
- 13 (12) the term of the member between the ages of 14 and 21 years shall expire
14 in 2020;
- 15 (13) the term of the representative of the Fraternal Order of Police shall
16 expire in 2020;
- 17 (14) the term of the Northeastern police district representative shall expire
18 in 2021;
- 19 (15) the term of the Southwestern police district representative shall expire
20 in 2021;
- 21 (16) the term of the resident of Baltimore City public housing shall expire
22 in 2021;
- 23 (17) the term of one designee of the President of the City Council shall expire
24 in 2021; and
- 25 (18) the term of the representative of the Vanguard Justice Society shall
26 expire in 2021.

27 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
28 October 1, 2017.