

Chapter 478

(Senate Bill 636)

AN ACT concerning

Commission on the Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Passage of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Commission on the Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Passage of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution to include a representative of the Maryland Heritage Women’s History Center; and generally relating to the Commission on the Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Passage of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–3001
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

Article – State Government

9–3001.

(a) There is a Commission on the Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Passage of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution.

(b) The Commission consists of the following members:

- (1) the Governor, or the Governor’s designee;
- (2) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- (3) two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- (4) two members of the Maryland Commission for Women, appointed by the chair of the Maryland Commission for Women;
- (5) the Director of the Division of Historical and Cultural Programs in the Department of Housing and Community Development, or the Director’s designee;

(6) the Assistant Secretary for Tourism, Film, and the Arts in the Department of Commerce, or the Assistant Secretary's designee;

(7) the Executive Director of the Maryland Historical Society, or the Executive Director's designee;

(8) the State Archivist, or the State Archivist's designee; and

(9) the following members, appointed by the Governor:

(i) one representative of the League of Women Voters of Maryland;

(ii) one representative of the Maryland State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People;

(iii) one representative of the Maryland Democratic Party Women's Diversity Leadership Council; [and]

(iv) one representative of the Maryland Federation of Republican Women; AND

(V) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND HERITAGE WOMEN'S HISTORY CENTER.

(c) The Governor shall designate the chair of the Commission.

(d) The Maryland State Archives shall provide staff for the Commission.

(e) A member of the Commission:

(1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Commission; but

(2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

(f) The Commission shall:

(1) assemble an inventory of sites in Maryland that are significant to the women's suffrage movement and the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution;

(2) develop a plan for commemorating the events that occurred in Maryland connected to the women's suffrage movement and the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution;

- (3) develop a strategy to encourage tourism related to the commemoration;
 - (4) make recommendations concerning facility development and repair related to the commemoration;
 - (5) coordinate with the federal government, local governments in the State, and neighboring jurisdictions regarding the development of plans commemorating the women's suffrage movement and the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution; and
 - (6) if appropriate, receive testimony from and consult with individuals who are knowledgeable regarding the issues of interest to the Commission.
- (g) On or before December 31, 2014, and annually thereafter for the following 5 years, the Commission shall report its activities, findings, and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2017.

Approved by the Governor, May 4, 2017.