

**HB1207/800414/1**

BY: Environment and Transportation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1207

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 11, after “State;” insert “requiring the Commission’s meetings to be reasonably accessible to all attendees, including certain persons; requiring the Department to post notice of the time and location of its meetings on its website at least a certain number of days before the meeting; prohibiting a member of the Commission from representing more than one entity or group;”; in line 12, after “State” insert “and local”; in the same line, after “laws” insert “, permits, actions.”; in line 13, after “issues;” insert “requiring the Commission to assess compliance with a certain federal law;”; in the same line, after “the” insert “Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities and the”; in line 15, strike the comma; in the same line, strike “after seeking” and substitute “to seek”; in line 16, strike “hosting” and substitute “host”; and strike beginning with the comma in line 16 down through “issues” in line 17.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 4, after “**(2)**” insert “**“BUSINESS ORGANIZATION” MEANS A CORPORATION, BUSINESS TRUST, PARTNERSHIP, OR ANY OTHER FOR-PROFIT ENTITY.**”

**(3)**”;

in line 6, strike “**(3)**” and substitute “**(4)**”; after line 8, insert:

**“(5) “ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATION” MEANS A NONPROFIT ENTITY ENGAGED IN ADVOCACY OR ACTION RELATED TO CONSERVATION, STEWARDSHIP OF NATURAL RESOURCES, OR POLLUTION REDUCTION.”;**

and strike in their entirety lines 9 through 12, inclusive.

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On page 3, in lines 1 and 2, strike “**ONE REPRESENTATIVE**” and substitute “**NOT FEWER THAN FOUR REPRESENTATIVES**”; in line 2, after “**COMMUNITY**” insert “**DISPROPORTIONATELY**”; in the same line, strike “justice **ISSUES**” and substitute “**AND PUBLIC HEALTH HAZARDS THAT REPRESENT THE GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY OF THE STATE**”; in lines 3, 5, and 7, in each instance, strike “**ONE REPRESENTATIVE**” and substitute “**TWO REPRESENTATIVES**”; in line 3, strike “**A**”; in line 4, strike “**ORGANIZATION**” and substitute “**ORGANIZATIONS**”; in line 6, strike “**AN**”; in the same line, strike “**ORGANIZATION**” and substitute “**ORGANIZATIONS**”; in line 7, strike “**IS A**” and substitute “**ARE**”; in line 8, strike “**EXPERT**” and substitute “**EXPERTS**”; in the same line, after the semicolon insert “**AND**”; strike in their entirety lines 9 and 10, inclusive; in line 11, strike “**6.**” and substitute “**5.**”; strike in their entirety lines 14 through 23, inclusive; in lines 24 and 26, strike “**(XI)**” and “**(XII)**”, respectively, and substitute “**(X)**” and “**(XI)**”, respectively; in line 25, strike “**AND**”; and in line 27, after “**LEAGUE**” insert “**; AND**”

**(XII) TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF A LABOR UNION, DESIGNATED BY THE MARYLAND STATE AND D.C. AFL-CIO**.

On page 4, in line 1, after “**STATE**” insert “**, ACCORDING TO THE MOST RECENT AVAILABLE CENSUS DATA**”; strike beginning with “**OR**” in line 2 down through “**HOUSE**” in line 3; in line 19, after “**PARAGRAPH**” insert “**, THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH ROTATING MEETING LOCATIONS IN DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHIC LOCATIONS OF THE STATE, INCLUDING**”; in lines 20 and 22, in each instance, strike “**SHALL BE HELD**”; and after line 23, insert:

**“(III) THE MEETINGS REQUIRED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE REASONABLY ACCESSIBLE TO ALL ATTENDEES, INCLUDING PERSONS WITH:**

1. LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY; AND
2. DISABILITIES.

(IV) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST NOTICE OF THE TIME AND LOCATION OF A MEETING REQUIRED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH ON ITS WEBSITE AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING.”.

On page 5, after line 2, insert:

“(4) A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION MAY NOT REPRESENT MORE THAN ONE ENTITY OR GROUP.”;

in line 7, after “State” insert “AND LOCAL”; in the same line, after “laws” insert “, PERMITS, ACTIONS,”; in line 8, after “communities” insert “, INCLUDING CUMULATIVE IMPACTS, EFFECTS, AND EXPOSURE”; in line 10, after “communities” insert “, INCLUDING ASSESSING COMPLIANCE WITH TITLE VI OF THE FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964”; in line 12, after “Council” insert “, THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES,”; in line 15, strike “AFTER SEEKING” and substitute “SEEK”; in the same line, strike “HOSTING” and substitute “HOST”; in line 16, after “COMMUNITIES” insert “DISPROPORTIONATELY”; in the same line, strike “JUSTICE ISSUES” and substitute “AND PUBLIC HEALTH HAZARDS”; and strike beginning with the comma in line 16 down through “ISSUES” in line 18.