

# HOUSE BILL 20

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By: **Delegate Chang**

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Assigned to: Appropriations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Stadium Authority – Membership**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the membership of the Maryland Stadium Authority;  
4 altering the number of members of the Authority needed to constitute a quorum and  
5 the number of affirmative votes of the Authority needed to take certain actions; and  
6 generally relating to the membership of the Maryland Stadium Authority.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

8 Article – Economic Development

9 Section 10–604

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

13 Article – Economic Development

14 Section 10–605 and 10–607(b)

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – Economic Development**

20 10–604.

21 (a) There is a Maryland Stadium Authority.

22 (b) (1) The Authority is a body politic and corporate and is an instrumentality  
23 of the State.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   (2)    The Authority is an independent unit in the Executive Branch of State  
2 government.

3                   (3)    The exercise by the Authority of its powers under this subtitle is an  
4 essential governmental function.

5           (c)    The Authority is a public body under Title 5, Subtitle 4 of this article, the  
6 Maryland Industrial Development Financing Authority Act, for purposes of applying for,  
7 receiving, and making agreements in connection with:

8                   (1)    a loan;

9                   (2)    a grant;

10                  (3)    insurance; or

11                  (4)    any other form of financial assistance.

12 10–605.

13           (a)    (1)    The Authority consists of the following [seven] **NINE** members:

14                           (i)    six members appointed by the Governor, with the advice and  
15 consent of the Senate; [and]

16                           **(II) ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE**  
17 **SENATE;**

18                           **(III) ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE**  
19 **OF DELEGATES; AND**

20                           [(ii)] **(IV)** one member appointed by the Mayor of Baltimore City,  
21 with the advice and consent of the Senate.

22                   (2)    In making appointments, the Governor shall ensure that the  
23 geographic areas of the State are represented.

24           (b)    (1)    The term of a member is 4 years.

25                   (2)    The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms provided  
26 for members on October 1, 2008.

27                   (3)    At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is  
28 appointed and qualifies.

1           (4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the  
2 rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

3           (c) A member may be removed for incompetence, misconduct, or failure to  
4 perform the duties of the position by:

5           (1) the Governor, if appointed by the Governor; [or]

6           **(2) THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, IF APPOINTED BY THE**  
7 **PRESIDENT;**

8           **(3) THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, IF APPOINTED BY**  
9 **THE SPEAKER; OR**

10           [(2)] **(4) the Mayor OF BALTIMORE CITY, if appointed by the Mayor.**

11 10-607.

12           (b) (1) **[Four] FIVE** members of the Authority are a quorum.

13           (2) Action by the Authority requires the affirmative vote of at least **[four]**  
14 **FIVE** members.

15           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
16 October 1, 2022.