

# SENATE BILL 331

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EMERGENCY BILL  
*ENROLLED BILL*

(3lr0658)

— *Finance/Health and Government Operations* —

Introduced by **Senator Hayes**

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.

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President.

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – West North Avenue Development Authority – Membership and**  
3 **Procurement**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the West North Avenue Development  
5 Authority; *altering the date a certain comprehensive report is due and altering the*  
6 *content of the report*; exempting the Authority from certain provisions of State  
7 procurement law; and generally relating to the West North Avenue Development  
8 Authority.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article – Economic Development  
11 Section 12–702  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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**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 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
2 Article – Economic Development  
3 Section 12–703 *and 12–706(c)*  
4 Annotated Code of Maryland  
5 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

6 BY adding to  
7 Article – Economic Development  
8 Section 12–703.1  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

11 BY adding to  
12 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
13 Section 11–203(j)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Economic Development**

19 12–702.

20 There is a West North Avenue Development Authority in Baltimore City.

21 12–703.

22 (a) The Authority consists of the following members:

23 (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland who represents the target area,  
24 appointed by the President of the Senate;

25 (2) one member of the House of Delegates who represents the target area,  
26 appointed by the Speaker of the House;

27 (3) the Secretary of Housing and Community Development, or the  
28 Secretary's designee;

29 (4) the Secretary of Transportation, or the Secretary's designee;

30 (5) **THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, OR THE SECRETARY'S**  
31 **DESIGNEE;**

1           **(6) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MARYLAND ECONOMIC**  
 2 **DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S DESIGNEE;**

3           **(7)** one member of the Baltimore City Council who represents the target  
 4 area, appointed by the President of the Baltimore City Council;

5           **[(6)] (8)** one member appointed by the Mayor of Baltimore City;

6           **[(7)] (9)** one member appointed by the Governor;

7           **[(8)] (10)** the Director of the Baltimore Development Corporation, or the  
 8 Director’s designee;

9           **[(9)] (11)** the Commissioner of the Baltimore City Department of Housing  
 10 and Community Development, or the Commissioner’s designee;

11           **[(10)] (12)** the Director of the Baltimore City Department of Transportation,  
 12 or the Director’s designee;

13           **[(11)] (13)** the Director of the Baltimore City Department of Planning, or  
 14 the Director’s designee;

15           **[(12)] (14)** the President of Coppin State University, or the President’s  
 16 designee;

17           **[(13)] (15)** the President of the Maryland Institute College of Art, or the  
 18 President’s designee; ~~and~~

19           **(16) TWO MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE CHAIR OF THE AUTHORITY, OR**  
 20 **THE CHAIR’S DESIGNEE; AND**

21           **[(14)] ~~(16)~~ (17)** two members who are residents of communities impacted  
 22 by the target area or buffer zone, selected by the majority vote of the leadership of the  
 23 following organizations:

24           (i) Alliance of Rosemont Community Associations;

25           (ii) Bolton Hill Community Association;

26           (iii) Coppin Heights Community Development Corporation;

27           (iv) Druid Heights Community Development Corporation;

28           (v) Greater Mondawmin Coordinating Council;

29           (vi) Penn North Community Association; and

1 (vii) collectively, the leadership of the Reservoir Hill Improvement  
2 Council, the Reservoir Hill Association, and the Upper Eutaw Madison Neighborhood  
3 Association.

4 (b) The President of Coppin State University, or the President's designee, shall  
5 serve as the chair of the Authority.

6 12-706.

7 (c) On or before [October 1] DECEMBER 15, 2023, the Authority shall report its  
8 comprehensive neighborhood revitalization strategy, INCLUDING ANY PROCUREMENT  
9 ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN BY THE AUTHORITY, to the Governor and, in accordance with  
10 2-1257 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, THE  
11 HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE, and the House  
12 Appropriations Committee.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read  
14 as follows:

15 Article – Economic Development

16 **12-703.1.**

17 (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE  
18 AUTHORITY IS EXEMPT FROM DIVISION II OF THE STATE FINANCE AND  
19 PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

20 (B) THE AUTHORITY IS SUBJECT TO TITLE 12, SUBTITLE 4 AND TITLE 14,  
21 SUBTITLE 3 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

22 Article – State Finance and Procurement

23 **11-203.**

24 (J) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION,  
25 THIS DIVISION II DOES NOT APPLY TO THE WEST NORTH AVENUE DEVELOPMENT  
26 AUTHORITY ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 12, SUBTITLE 7 OF THE ECONOMIC  
27 DEVELOPMENT ARTICLE.

28 (2) THE WEST NORTH AVENUE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
29 ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 12, SUBTITLE 7 OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
30 ARTICLE IS SUBJECT TO TITLE 12, SUBTITLE 4 AND TITLE 14, SUBTITLE 3 OF THIS  
31 ARTICLE.

1 SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency  
2 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has  
3 been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to  
4 each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is  
5 enacted. ~~It~~ Section 1 of this Act shall remain effective until the taking effect of the  
6 termination provision specified in Section 2 of Chapters 80 and 81 of the Acts of the General  
7 Assembly of 2021. If that termination provision takes effect, Section 1 of this Act, with no  
8 further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force  
9 and effect. This Act may not be interpreted to have any effect on that termination provision.  
10 Section 2 of this Act shall remain effective through September 30, 2026, and, at the end of  
11 September 30, 2026, Section 2 of this Act, with no further action required by the General  
12 Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.