

SENATE BILL 539

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By: **Charles County Senators**

Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2023

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Economic Development – Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland –**
3 **Membership**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Tri-County Council for Southern
5 Maryland to include certain voting members who are residents of each Southern
6 Maryland county and appointed in a certain manner; and generally relating to the
7 Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Economic Development
10 Section 13–603(a)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Economic Development**

16 13–603.

17 (a) The Council consists of:

18 (1) the members of the General Assembly representing the region, as
19 voting members;

20 (2) the commissioners of Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary’s counties, as
21 voting members;

22 (3) one voting member appointed by the president of the Southern
23 Maryland Municipal Association;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (4) one voting member at large from each county, appointed by the
2 commissioners of the county with the concurrence of the members of the General Assembly
3 representing the county;

4 **(5) ONE VOTING MEMBER FOR EVERY 45,000 RESIDENTS OF CALVERT**
5 **COUNTY, AS DETERMINED BY THE MOST RECENT DECENNIAL CENSUS, WHO IS A**
6 **RESIDENT OF CALVERT COUNTY AND APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**
7 **OF CALVERT COUNTY;**

8 **(6) ONE VOTING MEMBER FOR EVERY 45,000 RESIDENTS OF CHARLES**
9 **COUNTY, AS DETERMINED BY THE MOST RECENT DECENNIAL CENSUS, WHO IS A**
10 **RESIDENT OF CHARLES COUNTY AND APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**
11 **OF CHARLES COUNTY;**

12 **(7) ONE VOTING MEMBER FOR EVERY 45,000 RESIDENTS OF ST.**
13 **MARY'S COUNTY, AS DETERMINED BY THE MOST RECENT DECENNIAL CENSUS, WHO**
14 **IS A RESIDENT OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY AND APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY**
15 **COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY;**

16 **[(5)] (8)** one nonvoting member from each county, appointed jointly by the
17 economic development commission and the planning and zoning commission of the county;
18 and

19 **[(6)] (9)** one nonvoting member appointed by the Department and the
20 Department of Planning.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 October 1, 2023.