

**HB0566/193526/1**

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 566

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “**and Vogel**” and substitute “**Vogel, Alston, Bagnall, Bhandari, Cullison, Guzzone, Hill, R. Lewis, Lopez, Martinez, Pena–Melnyk, Rosenberg, Szeliga, White Holland, and Woods**”; in line 2, before “**State**” insert “**Commission on**”; in the same line, strike the first “**–**”; in the same line, strike “**– Confederate Naming Prohibited**” and substitute “**Bearing Confederate Names**”; strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 3 down through “property” in line 7 and substitute “**establishing the Commission on State and Local Government Real Property Bearing Confederate Names; and generally relating to real property bearing Confederate names**”; and strike in their entirety lines 8 through 13, inclusive, and substitute:

“BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 9–3801 through 9–3808 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 38. Commission on State and Local Government Real Property Bearing Confederate Names”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, strike in their entirety lines 16 through 18, inclusive, and substitute:

**Article – State Government**

**SUBTITLE 38. COMMISSION ON STATE AND LOCAL REAL PROPERTY BEARING CONFEDERATE NAMES.**

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**9-3801.**;

in line 19, strike “TITLE” and substitute “SUBTITLE”; after line 20, insert:

**“(B) “COMMISSION” MEANS THE COMMISSION ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT REAL PROPERTY BEARING CONFEDERATE NAMES.”;**

and in line 21 strike “(B)” and substitute “(C)”.

On page 2, in lines 2 and 8 strike “(C)” and “(D)”, respectively, and substitute “(D)” and “(E)”, respectively; and strike in their entirety lines 10 through 21, inclusive, and substitute:

**9-3802.**

**(A) THERE IS A COMMISSION ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT REAL PROPERTY BEARING CONFEDERATE NAMES.**

**(B) THE COMMISSION IS AN INDEPENDENT UNIT IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT.**

**9-3803.**

**(A) (1) THE COMMISSION CONSISTS OF 24 MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE.**

**(2) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH COUNTY.**

(B) THE GOVERNOR MAY REMOVE A MEMBER FOR INCOMPETENCE OR MISCONDUCT.

9-3804.

THE COMMISSION SHALL ELECT ANNUALLY A CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS.

9-3805.

(A) (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL MEET AT LEAST QUARTERLY.

(2) IN ADDITION TO MEETING AT LEAST QUARTERLY, THE COMMISSION SHALL MEET AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR OR THE GOVERNOR.

(B) 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.

9-3806.

(A) (1) WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE COMMISSION SHALL APPOINT A DIRECTOR.

(Over)

(2) THE DIRECTOR MAY NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION.

(3) THE DIRECTOR SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE COMMISSION, SUBJECT TO CONCURRENCE OF THE GOVERNOR.

(B) (1) THE DIRECTOR IS A SPECIAL APPOINTMENT IN THE STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

(2) THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE PAID A SALARY OF \$80,000 ANNUALLY.

(C) THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$80,000 FOR THE SALARY OF THE DIRECTOR.

9-3807.

(A) THE COMMISSION SHALL:

(1) DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A FRAMEWORK TO IDENTIFY REAL PROPERTY BEARING A CONFEDERATE NAME THAT IS OWNED BY THE STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION; AND

(2) MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE REAL PROPERTY THAT SHOULD BE RENAMED.

(B) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2031, THE COMMISSION SHALL REPORT ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY, THE GOVERNING BODY OF EACH COUNTY,

AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THIS ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

(C) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION MAY BE CONSTRUED TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSION TO RENAME REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.

9-3808.

(A) (1) THE COMMISSION MAY SEEK MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, FOUNDATIONS, AND PRIVATE SOURCES IN ADDITION TO STATE FINANCING.

(2) THE COMMISSION MAY ACCEPT GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS, BEQUESTS, OR ENDOWMENTS FOR ANY OF ITS PURPOSES.

(B) MONEY RECEIVED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION AND INCOME AND FEES DERIVED FROM EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION ARE NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

(C) MONEY MAINTAINED UNDER THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO AUDIT BY THE STATE, INCLUDING THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR.”.

On page 2, in line 22, strike “3.” and substitute “2.”; in line 23, strike “October” and substitute “July”; and in the same line, strike “2024.” and substitute “2025. It shall remain effective for a period of 7 years and, at the end of June 30, 2032, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.