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By: Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Library)

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A BILL ENTITLED

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1	AN	ACT	concerning

2 Libraries - Regional Resource Centers - Governing Board Membership

- 3 FOR the purpose of increasing the number of public members on the governing board for
- 4 each regional resource center; and generally relating to the membership of governing
- 5 boards for regional resource centers.
- 6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 7 Article Education
- 8 Section 23–202.1(a)
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 12 Article Education
- 13 Section 23–202.1(b)
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 Article – Education

- 19 23-202.1.
- 20 (a) There is a governing board for each regional resource center.
- 21 (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a governing

22 board consists of the following members:



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1	(i) A library trustee from each participating library system; and
2 3	(ii) Up to [one member] TWO MEMBERS of the public from each area served by the participating library systems.
$\frac{4}{5}$	(2) (i) The board of trustees of the Washington County Free Library shall act as the governing board for the Western Maryland Regional Resource Center.
6 7 8	(ii) The bylaws adopted by the board of trustees of the Washington County Free Library shall govern the composition, appointment, qualifications, terms, and structure of the governing board.
9 10	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2024.