

SENATE BILL 737

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By: **Harford County Senators**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2024

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education – Harford Community College Board of Trustees – Alterations**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that a member of the Harford Community College Board of
4 Trustees be a resident of Harford County for the duration of the member’s term;
5 altering, beginning on a certain date, the residency requirements of the appointed
6 members from Harford County councilmanic districts in a certain manner; altering
7 meeting requirements so that the Harford Community College Board of Trustees and
8 the Harford County Board of Education are no longer required to attend certain
9 meetings; and generally relating to the Harford Community College Board of
10 Trustees.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Education
13 Section 16–408
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

16 BY adding to
17 Article – Education
18 Section 16–408.1
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

23 **Article – Education**

24 16–408.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) (1) The **HARFORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE** Board of [Community
2 College] Trustees [for Harford County] consists of nine members.

3 (2) Subject to paragraph (4) of this subsection, each of the members shall
4 be:

5 (i) A resident of Harford County **FOR THE DURATION OF THE**
6 **MEMBER'S TERM**; and

7 (ii) Appointed by the Governor for terms of 5 years.

8 (3) Of the nine members:

9 (i) [**Six**] **BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024, SIX** shall be appointed [with
10 one from each of the six councilmanic districts] **ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING:**

11 1. **THREE MEMBERS RESIDING IN COUNCILMANIC**
12 **DISTRICTS A, B, OR F**; and

13 2. **THREE MEMBERS RESIDING IN COUNCILMANIC**
14 **DISTRICTS C, D, OR E**; AND

15 (ii) Three shall be appointed from the county at large.

16 (4) No member may be a member of the Harford County Board of
17 Education while serving as a member of the Board.

18 (b) A member of the Board may not serve for more than two consecutive 5-year
19 terms.

20 [(c) At least twice annually, the Board of Community College Trustees, the College
21 President, the Harford County Board of Education, and the Superintendent of the Harford
22 County public schools shall meet to discuss issues of mutual concern.]

23 **16-408.1.**

24 **AT LEAST TWICE ANNUALLY, THE PRESIDENT OF HARFORD COMMUNITY**
25 **COLLEGE AND THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HARFORD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**
26 **SHALL MEET TO DISCUSS ISSUES OF MUTUAL CONCERN.**

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
28 1, 2024.