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House action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

- 1 AN ACT concerning
- 2 Public Information Act Public Access Ombudsman Delegation of Powers
- 3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Public Access Ombudsman to delegate certain powers
- and duties to a staff member of the Office of the Public Access Ombudsman; and
- 5 generally relating to the Public Access Ombudsman.
- 6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 7 Article General Provisions
- 8 Section 4–1B–01 and 4–1B–02
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 12 Article General Provisions
- 13 Section 4–1B–03
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 Article - General Provisions

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

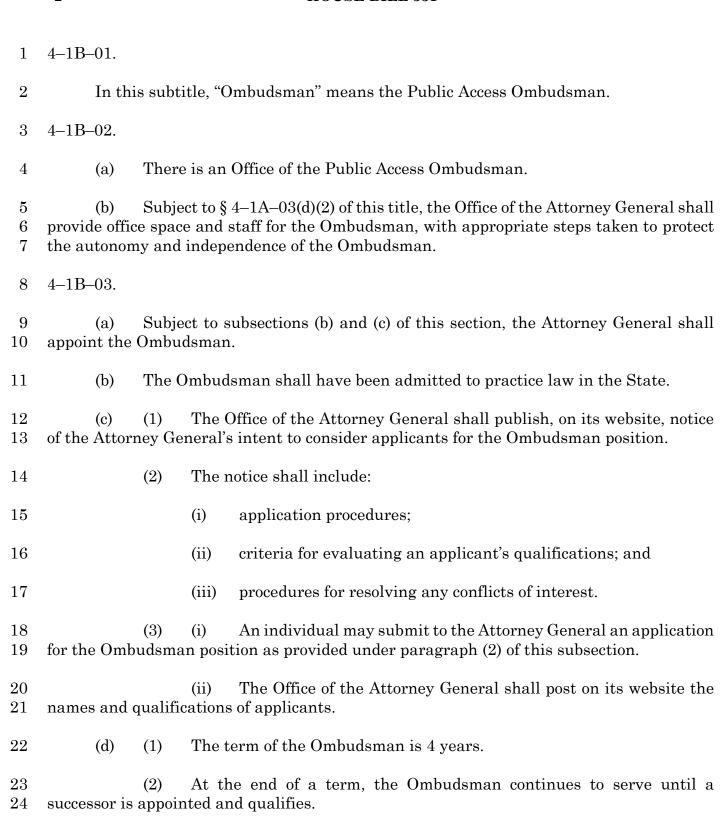
Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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(e) The Ombudsman shall be a full—time State employee.

remainder of the term until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

An Ombudsman who is appointed after a term begins serves for the

The Ombudsman is entitled to an annual salary as provided for in the State

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SECTION October 1, 2025.	2. AND BE	IT FURTHER	ENACTED,	That this	Act shall	take effect
Approved:						
					Govern	or.
	Speaker of the House of Delegates.					
]	President of	the Sena	te.