

# SENATE BILL 440

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By: **Senator Lam**

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County – Office of the Inspector General – Establishment**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Anne Arundel County Council to establish an Office of  
4 the Inspector General in the county; requiring the County Council to enact a certain  
5 local law and include a projected budget for the Office of the Inspector General in the  
6 county’s annual operating budget proposal; establishing an Office of the Inspector  
7 General Advisory Board to select and appoint and, under certain circumstances,  
8 remove the Inspector General; and generally relating to the Office of the Inspector  
9 General in Anne Arundel County.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Local Government  
12 Section 9–114  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2013 Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Local Government**

18 **9–114.**

19 **(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS**  
20 **INDICATED.**

21 **(2) “ADVISORY BOARD” MEANS THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR**  
22 **GENERAL ADVISORY BOARD.**

23 **(3) “OFFICE” MEANS THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(B) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.**

2           **(C) THE COUNTY COUNCIL SHALL ESTABLISH AN OFFICE OF THE**  
3 **INSPECTOR GENERAL IN THE COUNTY.**

4           **(D) THE COUNTY COUNCIL SHALL:**

5               **(1) ENACT A LOCAL LAW THAT ESTABLISHES:**

6                   **(I) THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE INSPECTOR GENERAL;**

7                   **(II) THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL;**

8                   **(III) THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE OFFICE; AND**

9                   **(IV) ANY OTHER REQUIREMENT THE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
10 **CONSIDERS NECESSARY FOR THE OPERATION OF THE OFFICE; AND**

11               **(2) INCLUDE IN THE COUNTY'S ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET**  
12 **PROPOSAL A PROJECTED BUDGET FOR THE OFFICE FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL**  
13 **YEAR.**

14           **(E) (1) THERE IS AN OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL ADVISORY**  
15 **BOARD IN THE COUNTY.**

16               **(2) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE**  
17 **ADVISORY BOARD CONSISTS OF SEVEN MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY**  
18 **EXECUTIVE AND SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL.**

19               **(3) A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD MAY NOT BE AN ELECTED**  
20 **OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE OF:**

21                   **(I) THE STATE;**

22                   **(II) THE COUNTY; OR**

23                   **(III) ANY OTHER FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.**

24               **(4) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
25 **ADVISORY BOARD:**

