

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

2021 Legislative Session

Bill 2021-03

The Charles County Redistricting Board

Introduced by Commissioner Stewart

Amendment to Chapter 27 of the Charles County Code to provide certain selection criteria for the members of the Charles County Redistricting. Section 1 – Number of Commissioners designated; term; Redistricting Board

Date introduced: 05 / 25 / 2021

Public Hearing: 06 / 22 / 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. Virtually

Commissioners Action: 06 / 22 / 2021 _____

Commissioner Votes: RBC: Y, BR: Y, GB: Y, TC: Y, AS: Y

Pass/Fail: Pass

Effective Date: 08 / 06 / 2021

Remarks: _____

NOTE: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing text.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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11 **BILL**

12 An ACT concerning
13 **THE CHARLES COUNTY REDISTRICTING BOARD**

14 FOR the purpose of

15 Amending the Charles County Code to provide certain selection
16 criteria for the members of the Charles County Redistricting Board

17 BY amending:

18 **CHAPTER 27 – COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY**

19 Section 1 – Number of Commissioners designated; term; Redistricting

20 Board

21 *Code of Charles County*

22 *(2013 Edition)*

23 **SECTION 1.** BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
24 CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND that the Laws of Charles County, Maryland
25 read as follows:

26 B. Redistricting Board.

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28 **(1)** Not later than January 1, 1992, a seven-member Redistricting Board shall be
29 appointed as provided for in Subsection **B(2)** of this section.

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31 **(2)** The Redistricting Board shall be composed of three appointees of the County
32 Commissioners, two appointees of the Democratic Central Committee and two
33 appointees of the Republican Central Committee.

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35 A. THE SELECTION OF MEMBERS SHALL BE INTENDED TO
36 PRODUCE A COMMISSION THAT IS INDEPENDENT FROM
37 LEGISLATIVE INFLUENCE, IMPARTIAL, AND REASONABLY

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REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COUNTY'S DIVERSITY AND GEOGRAPHICAL, RACIAL AND GENDER MAKEUP.

B. None of the appointees shall be employees of the County or the state.

C. NO APPOINTEE MAY BE:

- 1. A MEMBER OR CANDIDATE FOR ANY POLITICAL OFFICE IN THE COUNTY, STATE, OR UNITED STATES.
- 2. AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF A POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE
- 3. A MEMBER OF STAFF OF THE GOVERNOR, MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY, OR UNITED STATES CONGRESS; OR
- 4. A CURRENT REGISTERED LOBBYIST IN THE STATE OR COUNTY

D. EACH APPOINTEE SHALL BE A VOTER WHO, FOR AT LEAST THREE YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE DATE OF APPOINTMENT, HAS BEEN REGISTERED IN THE STATE CONTINUOUSLY WITH THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY OR CONTINUOUSLY WITH NEITHER THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY NOR THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

E. The Redistricting Board shall convene not later than 30 days after appointment to organize and elect a Chairman from among its members.

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SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this act shall take effect forty-five (45) calendar days after it becomes law.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of June 2021.

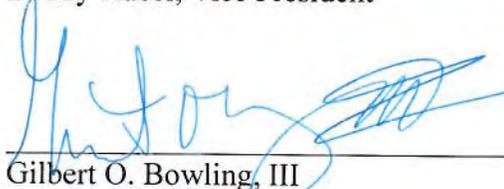
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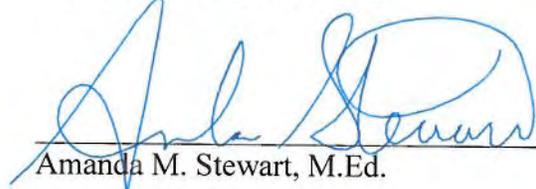
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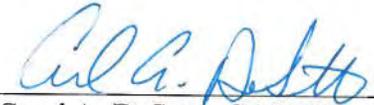


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ATTEST:



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