

JOINT COMMITTEE ON  
ADMINISTRATIVE, EXECUTIVE &  
LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

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The Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review (AELR Committee) was created in 1984 as a joint standing committee known as the Committee on Legislative Review (Chapter 96, Acts of 1964). It was renamed the Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review in 1972 (Chapters 400 and 699, Acts of 1972).

The Committee reviews State agency regulations with regard to the legislative prerogative and procedural due process. The Committee also may inquire into any failure of an officer or employee of the legislative, executive, or judicial branch of State government to comply with State statutory or constitutional law. Further, the Committee sits as a legislative advisory board for the *Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR)*.

The AELR Committee receives copies of all regulations of each State agency. Unless submitted to the Committee, certain regulations or standards may be invalid (Code State Government Article, secs. 10-101 through 10-139).

The Committee is required to receive emergency energy executive orders promulgated by the Governor (Chapter 1, Acts of 2nd Special Session of 1973). This legislative authority has been updated annually.

The Committee is composed of nine Senators and nine Delegates, who are appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates at the beginning of each regular session. Members serve for one year. The chairperson and vice-chairperson alternate each year between the two houses. Representation of each political party is approximately in the same proportion as its membership in each house (Code State Government Article, secs. 2-501 through 2-507).

JOINT BUDGET & AUDIT COMMITTEE

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Hergenroeder, Jr.; Martha S. Klima; Timothy F.  
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Rosapepe; Samuel I. Rosenberg.

Staff: Dana Thompson 841-3710

The Joint Budget and Audit Committee was created in 1968 (Chapter 456, Acts of 1968). The Committee studies and reviews State fiscal policies and post audits, and other matters relating to fiscal affairs. From the Executive Department and the Department of Fiscal Services it receives annual reports on how long-term State debt affects the State's financial condition.

Annually, the Committee reviews federally-funded projects requiring future State funds and nonbudgeted funds used for capital programs. It also reviews rules and regulations that require increased expenditures, establishes policies and directives for the Department of Fiscal Services, and submits an annual report to the General Assembly.

The Committee's twenty members include the Senate President, the House Speaker, and the majority and minority floor leaders or designees. Other members are divided equally between legislators from the fiscal committees of the Senate and House of Delegates. The presiding officers name the chairperson and vice-chairperson (Code State Government Article, secs. 2-601 through 2-606).

JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHESAPEAKE BAY  
CRITICAL AREAS

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Winegrad.

*Appointed by House Speaker:* Samuel Q. Johnson III;  
George W. Owings III; Michael J. Sprague; J.  
Lowell Stoltzfus.

Staff: Myron H. Miller 841-3875

The Joint Committee on Chesapeake Bay Critical Areas was created in 1984 (Chapter 794, Acts of 1984). Periodically, the Committee meets with the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Commission to review the progress of the critical areas program for the Bay.