

(9) THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FROM EITHER FREDERICK, WASHINGTON, ALLEGANY, OR GARRETT COUNTY WHO IS CHOSEN BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEYS FOR THESE COUNTIES;

(10) THE STATE'S ATTORNEY OF EITHER CECIL, KENT, QUEEN ANNE'S, CAROLINE, OR TALBOT COUNTY WHO IS CHOSEN BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEYS FOR THESE COUNTIES; AND

(11) THE STATE'S ATTORNEY OF EITHER DORCHESTER, WICOMICO, WORCESTER, OR SOMERSET COUNTY WHO IS CHOSEN BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEYS FOR THESE COUNTIES.

(B) THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS ARE TWO YEARS AND UNTIL THEIR SUCCESSORS ARE CHOSEN AND QUALIFY. MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL MAY SERVE ONLY DURING THE TIME AS THEY HOLD OFFICES WHICH QUALIFY THEM FOR MEMBERSHIP. MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO SERVE MORE THAN ONE TERM. ANY VACANCY OCCURRING ON THE COUNCIL SHALL BE FILLED IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE ORIGINAL MEMBERSHIP.

(C) MEMBERSHIP ON THE COUNCIL DOES NOT CONSTITUTE HOLDING AN OFFICE OF PROFIT.

(D) THE COUNCIL SHALL DESIGNATE FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS A CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN WHO SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS AND WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REELECTION. THE COUNCIL SHALL MEET AT LEAST FOUR TIMES EACH YEAR AND SHALL HOLD SPECIAL MEETINGS WHEN CALLED BY THE CHAIRMAN, OR IN THE ABSENCE OF THE CHAIRMAN BY THE VICE CHAIRMAN, OR WHEN CALLED BY THE CHAIRMAN UPON THE WRITTEN REQUEST OF THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS. A MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS CONSTITUTES A QUORUM. THE COUNCIL SHALL ESTABLISH ITS OWN PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO ITS MEETINGS, DELIBERATIONS, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL.

(E) THE STATE'S ATTORNEYS' COORDINATOR SHALL SERVE AS THE SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL AND PERFORM THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES THE COUNCIL DIRECTS IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved May 26, 1977.

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CHAPTER 711

(Senate Bill 470)

AN ACT concerning