

# Bromwell to Become CEO of IWIF; Will Leave State Senate December 1

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Democrat Thomas Bromwell will leave the state Senate Dec. 1 to become president and chief executive officer of the board of the Injured Workers Insurance Fund.

Bromwell has been a member of the Senate from Baltimore County since 1983 and served four years in the House of Delegates before moving to the Senate.

He is currently chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, a position he has held for six years.

The Injured Workers Insurance Fund is a state-sponsored, independent organization. It is the largest provider of

workers compensation insurance in Maryland, insuring about one in five employees in the state.

Bromwell's departure will open up one of the key leadership positions in the state Senate. The Finance Committee is an important committee that handles legislation dealing with insurance, labor, banking, utilities and other business issues.

Senate President Thomas V. Mike Miller, D-Prince George's, did not immediately return a telephone call yesterday seeking comment about Bromwell's pending resignation and who might replace him as committee chairman.

But Miller said after Bromwell applied for the job that a decision on a

successor might be made in November.

Bromwell is the second influential lawmaker to consider the post. Delegate Michael Busch, D-Anne Arundel, withdrew his name from consideration in June after he was urged by House leaders and Anne Arundel County officials to stay in the House, where he is chairman of the influential Economic Matters Committee.

Busch, who makes \$45,000 working for the Anne Arundel County recreation and parks agency and \$30,000 as a legislator, said the new job would have paid \$145,000 plus a bonus and a car.

But he said he decided to continue his legislative career because he loves what he is doing and because of his commitment to voters.



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