NECESSARY OR USEFUL IN THE CONSTRUCTION OR OPERATION OF A PROJECT.

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- (A) THERE IS A MARYLAND CONVENTION CENTERS BALTIMORE CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY.
- (B) (1) THE AUTHORITY IS CONSTITUTED A BODY POLITIC AND CORPORATE AND A PUBLIC INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.
- (2) THE EXERCISE BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE POWERS CONFERRED BY THIS SUBTITLE IS THE PERFORMANCE OF AN ESSENTIAL PUBLIC FUNCTION.
- (C) THE AUTHORITY IS AN INDEPENDENT UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH.
  13–1003.
  - (A) THE AUTHORITY CONSISTS OF:
- (1) 5 MEMBERS, ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE NOMINATED BY THE MAYOR OF BALTIMORE CITY, APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; AND
- (2) THE SECRETARY OF ECONOMIC AND EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT AND THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND FISCAL PLANNING AS EX OFFICIO NONVOTING MEMBERS.
- (B) THE GOVERNOR SHALL DESIGNATE ONE OF THE MEMBERS AS CHAIRMAN.
  - (C) (1) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 2 YEARS.
- (2) THE TERMS OF MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS ON JULY 1, 1990.
- (3) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.
- (4) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A PERSON TO FILL ANY VACANCY.
- (5) A MEMBER APPOINTED TO FILL A VACANCY IN AN UNEXPIRED TERM SERVES ONLY FOR THE REMAINDER OF THAT TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.
- (6) THE GOVERNOR MAY REMOVE A MEMBER FOR INCOMPETENCE, MISCONDUCT, OR FAILURE TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE POSITION.