## CHAPTER 108 (House Bill 542)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 165(a) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Howard County (1965 Edition, being Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Howard County," subtitle "Metropolitan Commission," and to repeal Section 165(c) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Howard County (1965 Edition, being Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Howard County," subtitle "Metropolitan Commission," and to enact new Section 165(c) in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section repealed; relating to the composition and appointment to the Metropolitan Commission of Howard County, in order to delete those changes which were declared invalid by the Court of Appeals; and to correct an error

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 165(a) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Howard County (1965 Edition, being Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Howard County," subtitle "Metropolitan Commission," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments; and that Section 165(c) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Howard County (1965 Edition, being Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Howard County," subtitle "Metropolitan Commission," be and it is hereby repealed and that new Section 165(c) be and it is hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section repealed; and both to read as follows:

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therein.

(a) For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this subtitle, the Metropolitan District created hereafter shall be under the jurisdiction of a Commission of [four] three persons, [one] all of whom shall be [a member of] appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of Howard County, [designated by said Board to serve; and the other three shall be appointed by said Board,] and all of whom shall reside in Howard County, be resident taxpayers of said County and qualified voters thereof. The term of each of the three [appointed] members shall be six years or until their successors are appointed and have qualified, except that the first Commissioner named by said Board of County Commissioners shall serve for two years, the second for four years and the third for six years from the date of their appointments, and as the term of each Commissioner expires, his successor shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of Howard County. Any vacancy in the personnel of the Commission shall be filled by appointment by the Board of County Commissioners of Howard County and for the unexpired term [in the case of an appointed member].

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(c) In addition the County Commissioners shall appoint one of its membership to sit at all meetings of the Metropolitan Commission. The secretary-treasurer appointed by the Commission shall