

CHAPTER 421  
(House Bill 902)

AN ACT to add new Section 37A to the Code of Public Local Laws of Carroll County, (1965 Edition, being Article 7 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Carroll County," to be under the new subtitle "Governmental Study Commission," to follow immediately after Section 37 thereof, to create a Carroll County Governmental Study Committee to study the governmental structure of Carroll County, to provide for the appointment and qualifications of its members, to provide for its purpose, the reporting of the Committee, and to provide the necessary funds therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 37A be and it is hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Carroll County (1965 Edition, being Article 7 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Carroll County," to be under the new subtitle "Governmental Study Commission," to follow immediately after Section 37 thereof, and to read as follows:

WHEREAS, Carroll County has experienced significant changes in recent years; and

WHEREAS, Such changes have cast doubt upon the adequacy of the existing structure or form of County government to meet present and future needs; and

WHEREAS, Many proposals have been advanced for a change in the present structure or form of government; and

WHEREAS, It is realized that basic changes in government should not be entered into lightly but should be made for generations; and

WHEREAS, It is deemed desirable to have a study made first to determine what changes, if any, in the structure or form of the County government should be made to best satisfy these needs and to prepare, if possible, specific recommendations as to the actual content of any modification of the present structure or of the new instrument of government . . . .

**37A.**

*(a) The Carroll County Government Study Commission is hereby created for the purpose of studying and making recommendations concerning the structure or form of the government of Carroll County. The Commission shall be composed of fifteen (15) persons who shall serve without compensation. Commission members shall be selected and appointed by the joint action of the Board of County Commissioners and the State Senator and members of the House of Delegates elected from the county. One of the persons so selected shall be designated by the appointing authorities as Chairman of the Commission. In appointing the members of the Commission, the appointing authorities shall endeavor to select those whose devotion to the County and its people, whose knowledge of government and sense of historical perspective and whose education and experience especially equip them for membership on the Commission and will assure that the Commission reflects the several interests and regions of the*