

The chairman of the County Council of Howard County shall be a member of the Council and shall have authority to nominate, constitute and appoint as a permanent alternate, a member of the County Council of Howard County to serve in his absence as a member of the Council. The county executive of Howard County shall appoint a member of the Howard County Planning Board as a member of the Council.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end, all the provisions of this Act are hereby declared to be severable.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 2, 1969.

CHAPTER 442
(Senate Bill 291)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, the following sections of several Articles of the Annotated Code of Maryland: Sections 36, 37, 38, and 39 of Article 19 (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Comptroller," subtitle "Uniform System of Accounts"; Section 43 of Article 23A (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Corporations—Municipal," subtitle "Home Rule," subheading "Repeal of Charter"; Sections 59 (b), 60, and 61B (f) of Article 40 (1968 Supplement), title "General Assembly," subtitle "Department of Fiscal Services," subheadings respectively "Department of Fiscal Services," "Division of Budget Review," and "Division of Audits"; Section 9C of Article 64A (1968 Replacement Volume), title "Merit System"; Section 426 of Article 66½ (1967 Replacement Volume), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Vehicle Equipment Safety Compact"; Section 249 (e) (3) of Article 77 (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Public Education," subtitle "Chapter 26. University of Maryland"; and Section 17 of Article 95 (1968 Supplement), title "Treasurer"; to change references to the Department of Fiscal Services, its Divisions and Directors thereof, including the Legislative Auditor, in several laws relating to filing of financial reports of subdivisions, repeal of municipal charters, the duties of the Legislative Auditor and the structure and duties of the Department of Fiscal Services, changing requirements for filing financial reports by subdivisions and accounting directives issued by the Comptroller to State agencies and departments, and making other necessary changes.