

*procedures as provided in the Administrative Procedure Act, Section 244 et seq. of this Article, and shall in all other respects be governed by the provisions of said Act. At least three members shall sit at any hearing of the Board, constituted as a Board of Appeal. Decisions shall be by a majority of the Board sitting. The Board's decision shall be in writing, stating its reasons. Minutes of its proceedings shall be kept. The Chairman, or acting Chairman, shall have the power to administer oaths and compel the attendance of witnesses. The decision of the Board shall be the final agency decision for purposes of judicial review under Section 255 of this Article or for purposes of any other provisions of law permitting appeals to the courts from decisions of agencies included within the Department of Economic and Community Development. Appeals from decisions of the Board shall be as prescribed in the Administrative Procedure Act or by the substantive law applying to the commission, department, board or other instrumentality whose decision is being appealed.*

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*In addition to such advisory boards as are or may be established by law, the Secretary of Economic and Community Development may, with the approval of the Governor, create such advisory boards of such size as he deems appropriate or utilize as an advisory board any existing commission established by executive order.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections ~~255~~ 258-266 of Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1965 Replacement Volume, 1969 SUPPLEMENT), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments," subtitle "Department of Economic Development," subheading "In General," be and the same are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to be under the same title but to be under the new subtitle "Department of Economic and Community Development," and to be under the new subheading "Division of Economic Development" and to read as follows:*

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*(a) The Division of Economic Development is established and continued as the same Department of Economic Development hitherto existing. The Division of Economic Development shall be part of the Department of Economic and Community Development. The Division shall have the powers, duties, responsibilities and functions provided in the laws of this State for the Department of Economic Development. All references in this Code, in any other laws of this State, or in ordinances, resolutions, rules, regulations, legal actions, directives, or ~~documents~~ DOCUMENTS to the Department of Economic Development, shall be deemed to mean the Division of Economic Development. From and after September 1, 1970, all rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions heretofore conferred upon or exercised by the Department of Economic Development shall be transferred to and be exercised by the Division of Economic Development, subject to the authority of the Secretary of Economic and Community Development ~~and Correctional Services~~ as set forth in this Code. The Division of Economic Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development shall have the general purpose of advancing the economic welfare of the people through pro-*