Commission; restructuring; clarifying language; and generally relating to the Charles County Planning Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 66B - Zoning and Planning Section 3.02 Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 3.02 of Article 66B — Zoning and Planning, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 66B - Zoning and Planning

3.02.

- The commission shall consist of either five i(5) or seven [(7)] members, one of whom may be a member the local legislative body to serve in an ex officio capacity concurrent with his official term. The members shall be appointed by the local legislative body or by such person or persons as the local legislative body creating the commission [may] in the crdinance MAY designate as the appointing power [; however, where]. WHERE there is a single local elected executive, the members shall be appointed by the local executive and [thereafter] confirmed by the local legislative body. All members may serve with [such] THE compensation [as] the local legislative body deems appropriate. The term of each member [shall be] IS five years or until his successor takes office, except that the respective terms of the five members first appointed shall be on a staggered basis. [Members may, after] AFTER a public hearing, MEMBERS MAY be removed by the local legislative mody for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office. The local legislative body shall file a written statement of reasons for [such] THE removal. Vacancies occurring otherwise than through the expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired term by the local legislative body or by [such] WHATEVER person or persons as the local legislative body creating the commission may DESIGNATE in the ordinance [designate] as the appointing power.
- (B) THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES ARE EXCEPTED FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (A) TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION:
- (1) [Provided, however, that for] IN Allegany County, the commission may consist of seven members. The term of each member shall be five years or