

operation of a temporarily augmented Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board for Baltimore City; relating generally to that Board; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes
Section 248(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 248(a) of Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes

248.

(a) (1) There is [hereby created] in each county and Baltimore City a property tax assessment appeal board consisting of three members to be appointed by the Governor from a list of three persons for each vacancy submitted to the Governor by the mayor of Baltimore City, the county commissioners or county council of each county or if the county charter provides for a county executive, by the county executive with the approval of the county council.

(2) (I) IN BALTIMORE CITY, TO AUGMENT THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD CREATED IN PARAGRAPH (1), THERE SHALL BE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS APPOINTED AS PROVIDED IN THAT PARAGRAPH, SO THAT THE MEMBERSHIP TOTALS 12. EACH OF THE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR A TERM NOT EXTENDING BEYOND JUNE 1, 1979, AND (B) DOES NOT APPLY TO THEM. IF A VACANCY OCCURS AMONG THE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS, A REPLACEMENT MEMBER MAY LIKEWISE BE APPOINTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM.

(II) THE BOARD SHALL SIT IN PANELS OF THREE MEMBERS AS DESIGNATED BY THE CHAIRMAN FROM TIME TO TIME. THE CHAIRMAN MAY CHANGE THE COMPOSITION OF ANY PANEL AT HIS DISCRETION. ~~EACH PANEL MAY PERFORM ANY FUNCTION COMMITTED TO THE BOARD AND ASSIGNED TO IT BY THE CHAIRMAN SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT APPEAL BOARDS, THE CHAIRMAN SHALL ASSIGN CASES TO BE HEARD BY ANY PANEL AND ESTABLISH HEARING SCHEDULES. ANY TWO MEMBERS OF A PANEL ARE A QUORUM OF THAT PANEL.~~

(III) THE DETERMINATION BY A PANEL OF ANY MATTER ASSIGNED TO IT HAS THE SAME EFFECT AS IT WOULD HAVE IF ACTED UPON BY THE ENTIRE BOARD. THE CHAIRMAN MAY SUBMIT ANY MATTER TO THE BOARD IN FANC IF HE DEEMS IT