

**CHAPTER 350**

**(House Bill 73)**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Agricultural Commission - Membership**

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Maryland Agricultural Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Agriculture

Section 2-203

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Agriculture**

2-203.

(a) The Commission has ~~[24] 28~~ 29 members. One member is ex officio and is the principal administrative official for agricultural affairs at the University System of Maryland as designated by the Chancellor of the University. The Governor appoints the remaining ~~[23] 27~~ 28 members as follows:

- (1) Two from a list of at least four nominees representing the dairy industry;
- (2) Two from a list of at least four nominees representing the poultry industry;
- (3) One from a list of at least two nominees representing the livestock industry;
- (4) One from a list of at least two nominees representing the tobacco industry;
- (5) ~~[One] TWO~~ from a list of at least ~~[two] FOUR~~ nominees representing the nursery industry;
- (6) One from a list of at least two nominees representing the horticulture industry;
- (7) One from a list of at least two nominees representing the field crops industry;
- (8) One from a list of at least two nominees representing the vegetable industry;