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

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development 5-901.

- (a) In this subtitle, the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (Z–1) "QUALIFIED DISTRESSED COUNTY" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN \S 5–1401 OF THIS TITLE.

5-904.

There is a Maryland Industrial Development Financing Authority in the Department, established as a body corporate and politic and a public instrumentality of the State.

5-905.

- (a) The Authority consists of the following 9 members:
- (1) 7 members appointed by the Secretary GOVERNOR with the approval of the Governor ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; and
 - (2) As ex officio members:
 - (i) The Secretary or the Secretary's designee; and
- (ii) The State Treasurer or the State Comptroller, as designated by the Governor. If designated by the Governor to serve on the Board, the State Treasurer or State Comptroller may designate a representative to serve on the Board.
 - (B) THE APPOINTED MEMBERS SHALL: