(a) The Commission consists of 26 voting members who are appointed by the Governor, as follows:

(1) A full-time chairman, appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor;

(2) 11 individuals, appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate, each of whom is a resident and an elected or appointed official of a local jurisdiction. At least 1 of these 11 individuals must be an elected or appointed official of a municipality. These individuals shall serve on the Commission only while they hold local office. Each shall be selected from certain counties, or from municipalities within said counties, as follows, and only after the Governor has consulted with elected county and municipal officials:

(i) 1 from each of Baltimore City, and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, and Prince George's counties;

(ii) 1 from Harford or Cecil County;

(iii) 1 from Kent or Queen Anne's County;

(iv) 1 from Caroline or Worcester County;

(v) 1 from Talbot or Dorchester County;

(vi) 1 from Wicomico or Somerset County; and

(vii) 2 from Calvert, Charles or St. Mary's County, both of whom shall not be from the same county;

(3) 8 individuals, appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall represent diverse interests, and among whom shall be a resident from each of the 6 counties that are listed and from which an appointment has not been made under paragraph (2) of this subsection and 2 of the 8 members appointed under this item shall be at large members; and

(4) The Secretaries of Agriculture, Economic and Employment Development, Housing and Community Development, the Environment, AND Natural Resources, and [State] THE DIRECTOR OF Planning, ex officio, or, [instead of any of the Secretaries, another representative of that Secretary's department appointed at the request of the Secretary] THE DESIGNEE OF THE SECRETARIES OR THE DIRECTOR.

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(b) (1) The Secretary shall promulgate rules and regulations governing the recruitment and selection of participants if: