

(I) THE BOARD MAY REQUEST THE MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO SERVE ON COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE BOARD TO ASSIST THE BOARD IN ACHIEVING ITS OBJECTIVES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM PROGRAMS IN THE STATE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the terms of the initial members of the Maryland Tourism Development Board that are appointed by the Governor shall expire as follows:

- (1) 3 members in 1994; and
- (2) 3 members in 1995.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(1) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the operational functions of the Maryland Tourism Development Board shall be provided and funded by the Office of Tourism Development of the Department of Economic and Employment Development and that no additional general fund revenues be appropriated or allocated for the operations of the Board.

(2) The Maryland Tourism Development Board, the Secretary of Economic and Employment Development, the Governor, and the General Assembly shall cooperate in identifying and pursuing funding mechanisms to ensure the maintenance of adequate and effective tourism development programs in the State.

(3) By November 1, 1993, the Secretary of Economic and Employment Development and the Maryland Tourism Development Board shall submit to the Legislative Policy Committee a workable, efficient, and effective plan that will identify and recommend suitable mechanisms for the generating of general, special, and federal funds to bolster the State's commitment to enhancing its promotion of the tourism and travel industries and the marketing of the State to ensure that the State will continue to derive the resultant economic development and other benefits from that commitment. The plan also shall provide the ways and means in which the operating functions of the Board can be self-supported from funds other than general funds. The plan may also include recommendations as to how the development of tourism programs and the functions of the Board could be managed by the private sector and supported by special funds.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1993.

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