

WHEREAS, The Water Resources Advisory Commission has not met in seven years and the functions of the Commission have been assumed by the Maryland Department of the Environment; and

WHEREAS, The Susquehanna River Watershed Advisory Board has not met since 1990, and its work has been assumed by the Department of Natural Resources Tributary Team; and

WHEREAS, The State Commission on the Capital City has been inactive since the late 1980s, the Commission's funding was zeroed out in 1992, the Commission is listed as a defunct agency in the Maryland Manual, and its mission of ensuring opportunities for consensus and coordination can be made through a less formal process if there is additional construction in the capital complex; and

WHEREAS, The function of the Governor's Volunteer Council, which consisted of the promotion of traditional volunteer activities in Maryland, has been assumed by the Governor's Commission on Service since 1994; now, therefore,

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

Article 27A – Public Defender

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[(a) In each district, there is hereby created a district advisory board, which shall be composed of five (5) members, of which three shall constitute a quorum for all business. One of the members shall be a judge of the circuit court or District Court in the district, and the other four members shall be active attorneys-at-law, admitted to practice before the Court of Appeals of Maryland. The members of the board shall be residents of the district and shall be appointed by the Governor for terms of three years. Any vacancy occurring on any district advisory board during the term of any member shall be filled by the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired term. The Governor shall annually designate a chairman of each district advisory board, who shall preside over and represent the interests of the board in carrying out the provisions of this article.]

~~(A) IN THIS SECTION, "BOARD" MEANS THE PUBLIC DEFENDER SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD.~~

~~(B) (1) THERE IS A PUBLIC DEFENDER SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD.~~

~~(2) THE BOARD SHALL BE COMPOSED OF ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH DISTRICT.~~

~~(3) EACH MEMBER SHALL BE A JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, A JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT, OR AN ACTIVE ATTORNEY AT LAW, ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS OF MARYLAND.~~

~~(4) A MEMBER OF THE BOARD SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THE DISTRICT REPRESENTED AND SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR FOR A TERM OF 3 YEARS.~~