

(II) THE SUCCESSORS TO THESE OFFICES ELECTED AT THE 2010 ELECTION SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF 4 YEARS.

(5) AS OF THE 2006 ELECTION, THE TERM OF EACH OFFICE IS 4 YEARS.

(6) Subject to the confirmation of the County Council, the County Executive of Howard County shall appoint a qualified individual to fill any vacancy on the County Board for the remainder of that term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(e) (1) The State Board may remove a member of the County Board for:

- (i) Immorality;
- (ii) Misconduct in office;
- (iii) Incompetency; or
- (iv) Willful neglect of duty.

(2) Before removing a member, the State Board shall send the member a copy of the charges against [him] THE MEMBER and give [him] THE MEMBER an opportunity within 10 days to request a hearing.

(3) If the member requests a hearing within the 10-day period:

(i) The State Board promptly shall hold a hearing, but a hearing may not be set within 10 days after the State Board sends the member a notice of the hearing; and

(ii) The member shall have an opportunity to be heard publicly before the State Board in [his] THE MEMBER'S own defense, in person or by counsel.

(4) A member removed under this subsection has the right to a de novo review of the removal by the Circuit Court for Howard County.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

Approved April 9, 2002.

CHAPTER 83

(House Bill 750)

AN ACT concerning

Medical Assistance Program - Waivers - Notice of Applications and Modifications

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to publish in the Maryland Register notice of any application for a Medical Assistance Program waiver or modification to an existing Medical Assistance