

**House Bill No. 349**

AN ACT concerning

**Baltimore City - Local Social Services Board - Membership**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the alteration of the size of the board of the local department of social services in Baltimore City as provided by local law; and generally relating to the membership of the board of the local department of social services in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article 88A - Department of Human Resources  
Section 14(a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

**Article 88A - Department of Human Resources**

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(a) (1) The local department in each county shall have a board, appointed as hereinafter provided and herein referred to as the local board. Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, the local board shall be composed of nine members. The members shall receive no salary for their services, but their reasonable expenses incurred in attending meetings or performing other official duties shall be paid. Each local board shall select its own chairman on July 1st of each year.

(2) Each local board chairman shall serve as liaison between the local board and the State Board.

(3) (i) In Frederick County and in Garrett County, the local board shall be composed of at least 9 but no more than 13 members, as determined by the Board of County Commissioners.

(ii) In Montgomery County, the local board shall be composed of at least 9 but no more than 13 members, as provided by local law enacted by the County Council and approved by the County Executive.

(iii) IN BALTIMORE CITY, THE LOCAL BOARD SHALL BE COMPOSED OF AT LEAST 9 BUT NO MORE THAN 13 MEMBERS, AS PROVIDED BY LOCAL LAW ENACTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY.

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

May 16, 2002