

Library Board of Trustees; requiring the members of the Board to be appointed on a fiscal year basis; and generally relating to the Harford County Public Library Board of Trustees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 23-403

Annotated Code of Maryland

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

**Article - Education**

23-403.

(a) (1) [Each] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, EACH board of library trustees consists of seven members appointed by the county governing body from nominees submitted by the board of library trustees.

(2) A board that existed before 1945 under a corporate charter may continue as constituted if:

(i) It has at least seven members;

(ii) The members are chosen on the basis of character, ability, and demonstrated interest in library matters; and

(iii) The members meet the qualifications required under subsection (b) of this section.

(3) IN HARFORD COUNTY, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES CONSISTS OF AT LEAST 7 MEMBERS, BUT NOT MORE THAN 11 MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY FROM NOMINEES SUBMITTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

(b) The members of the board shall be:

(1) Representative of the area the library serves; and

(2) Residents of the county that the library serves.

(c) (1) Except as provided in [subsection (d)] SUBSECTIONS (D) AND (E) of this section, a member of a board serves for a term of 5 years and until a successor is appointed and qualifies. These terms are staggered as required by the terms of the members serving on the board as of July 1, 1978.

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (4) of this subsection, a member may be reappointed but may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

(3) A member appointed to fill a vacancy in an unexpired term: