

~~(xi) one representative of an organization of residential property owners a financial services organization; and~~

~~(x)~~ (xii) one public member at large.

(c) The Study Commission shall elect a chairman from among its members.

(d) The Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Study Commission.

(e) A member of the Study Commission:

(1) may not receive compensation; but

(2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

(f) The Study Commission shall:

(1) examine Title 10, Subtitle 6 of the State Government Article relating to the public's access to public records;

(2) review § 10-616 of the State Government Article assessing elimination or a sunset date for provisions that are obsolete or will become obsolete in the near future; ~~and~~

(3) consult with a Judiciary liaison designated by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland on a recent study conducted by the Judiciary on public access to court records and the results of the study; and

~~(3)~~ (4) make recommendations and propose legislation to effectuate its findings.

(g) The Study Commission shall report its recommendations and proposed legislation to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on or before ~~November~~ December 1, 2004.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2004. It shall remain effective for a period of ~~5~~ 6 months and, at the end of ~~November 30~~ December 31, 2004, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

May 26, 2004

The Honorable Michael E. Busch  
Speaker of the House  
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Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today