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It is essential to the maintenance of a democratic society that, except in special and appropriate circumstances:

- (1) public business be performed in an open and public manner; and
- (2) citizens be advised and aware of:
  - (i) the performance of public officials; and
  - (ii) the deliberations and decisions that the making of public policy

involves.]

10-502.1.

THERE IS A STATE OPEN MEETINGS LAW COMPLIANCE BOARD.

10-502.2.

(A) (1) THE BOARD CONSISTS OF 3 MEMBERS, AT LEAST ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE AN ATTORNEY ADMITTED TO THE MARYLAND BAR, APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE.

(2) FROM AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A CHAIRMAN.

(B) (1) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 3 YEARS.

(2) THE TERMS OF MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ON ~~JANUARY 1,~~ JULY 1, 1991.

(3) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED.

(4) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM HAS BEGUN SERVES ONLY FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED.

(5) A MEMBER MAY NOT SERVE FOR MORE THAN 2 CONSECUTIVE 3-YEAR TERMS.

10-502.3.

(A) A MAJORITY OF THE FULL AUTHORIZED MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD IS A QUORUM.

(B) THE BOARD SHALL MEET AT A TIME AND PLACE TO BE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD.

(C) EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD: