

adopt procedures to hear and decide certain special exceptions on appeal from the board of ~~appeal~~ appeals in a certain manner; providing that, under certain circumstances, certain actions of the County Commissioners shall be final actions subject to appeal in a certain manner; ~~providing for the effective date of this Act~~; and generally relating to the authority of the county commissioners of Charles County over special exceptions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 66B - Zoning and Planning

Section 4.07

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

Article 66B - Zoning and Planning

4.07.

(a) (1) The local legislative body shall provide for the appointment of a board of appeals.

(2) The board of appeals consists of three or five members.

(3) The terms of office of the members of the board are three years.

(4) The members of the board shall be appointed by the local executive, and confirmed by the local legislative body.

(5) A member of the board may be removed for cause, upon written charges, and after a public hearing.

(6) Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired terms of any member whose term becomes vacant.

(7) Members of the board may receive compensation as the local legislative body deems appropriate.

(b) (1) The local legislative body shall designate one alternate member for the board of appeals who may be empowered to sit on the board in the absence of any member of the board.

(2) When the alternate is absent, the local legislative body may designate a temporary alternate.

(b-1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, in Frederick County and St. Mary's County the board members may be appointed to staggered terms varying from one to three years.

(b-2) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, in Charles County, board members shall be appointed to staggered terms of 4 years.