

(F) REMOVAL.

THE GOVERNOR MAY REMOVE A MEMBER FOR INCOMPETENCE, MISCONDUCT, OR OTHER GOOD CAUSE, UPON WRITTEN CHARGES STATING THE GOVERNOR'S GROUNDS FOR DISMISSAL AND AFTER AFFORDING THE MEMBER NOTICE AND AN AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD.

(G) APPOINTMENT PROCESS.

(1) THE GOVERNOR SHALL REQUEST THE COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE REPRESENTING THE MAJORITY PARTY OR THE PRINCIPAL MINORITY PARTY, AS APPROPRIATE, TO SUBMIT A LIST OF AT LEAST FOUR ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS FROM WHICH THE GOVERNOR MAY MAKE AN APPOINTMENT OF A REGULAR MEMBER OR A SUBSTITUTE MEMBER OF THE LOCAL BOARD.

(2) THE GOVERNOR MAY REJECT ALL OF THE NOMINEES IF THE GOVERNOR DETERMINES THEM TO BE UNFIT OR INCOMPETENT, IN WHICH CASE THE GOVERNOR SHALL NOTIFY THE STATE BOARD IN WRITING AND REQUEST AN ADDITIONAL LIST OF AT LEAST FOUR ELIGIBLE NOMINEES FROM THE COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE. A THIRD LIST MAY BE REQUESTED IN THE SAME MANNER.

(3) IF A LIST CONTAINING THE NAMES OF FOUR ELIGIBLE NOMINEES IS NOT SUBMITTED WITHIN 20 DAYS OF A REQUEST OR IF ALL THE NOMINEES ON THREE LISTS ARE REJECTED, THE GOVERNOR MAY APPOINT ANY ELIGIBLE PERSON WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE APPROPRIATE POLITICAL PARTY.

(4) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, EACH APPOINTMENT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY THE SENATE OF MARYLAND.

(II) IN CAROLINE, DORCHESTER, AND KENT COUNTIES, IF THERE IS NO RESIDENT SENATOR OF THE PARTICULAR COUNTY, THE CONFIRMATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES OF MARYLAND.

(III) IF AN APPOINTEE IS REJECTED, THE GOVERNOR SHALL MAKE ANOTHER APPOINTMENT FROM THE LIST OR LISTS SUBMITTED UNDER PARAGRAPHS (1) AND (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION. IF A LIST IS NOT PROVIDED, OR THE NOMINEES ON THREE LISTS ARE REJECTED, THE GOVERNOR MAY APPOINT AN ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(H) FILLING OF VACANCIES.

(1) IF A MEMBER OF A LOCAL BOARD DIES, RESIGNS, IS REMOVED, OR BECOMES INELIGIBLE:

(I) THE SUBSTITUTE MEMBER BELONGING TO THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY SHALL BECOME A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE LOCAL BOARD; AND

(II) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT AN ELIGIBLE PERSON FROM THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY TO BE THE NEW SUBSTITUTE MEMBER.