

(3) AS SELECTED BY THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, EITHER THE CHIEF OF THE STATE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OR THE DIRECTOR OF NETWORK MARYLAND;

(4) THE CHAIR OF THE RURAL MARYLAND COUNCIL, OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE;

(5) THE CHAIR OF THE TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL FOR SOUTHERN MARYLAND, OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE;

(6) THE CHAIR OF THE TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL FOR WESTERN MARYLAND, OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE;

(7) THE CHAIR OF THE MID-SHORE REGIONAL COUNCIL, OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE;

(8) THE CHAIR OF THE TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE LOWER EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND, OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE; AND

(9) THE CHAIR OF THE UPPER SHORE REGIONAL COUNCIL, OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE.

(B) CHAIR.

THE BOARD SHALL ELECT A CHAIR FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS.

(C) BYLAWS.

THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT BYLAWS TO CARRY OUT THIS SUBTITLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 41, § 21-103(a) and (b).

In subsection (a) of this section, the references to a "chair" are substituted for the former references to a "chairman" because SG § 2-1238 requires the use of terms that are neutral as to gender to the extent practicable.

The Economic Development Article Review Committee notes, for the consideration of the General Assembly, that in subsection (c) of this section, the reference to "bylaws" is substituted for the former reference to "rules" as it does not appear that the General Assembly contemplated that the Board would be subject to the Administrative Procedure Act. No substantive change is intended.

Defined terms: "Board" § 13-501

"Secretary" § 9-101

"State" § 9-101

13-504. DUTIES.

THE BOARD SHALL:

(1) ASSIST IN THE DEPLOYMENT OF BROADBAND COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE IN RURAL AND UNDERSERVED AREAS OF THE STATE;