

(III) FROM TALBOT COUNTY, TWO MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL, APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL;

(IV) THREE MUNICIPAL ELECTED OFFICIALS, ONE FROM EACH COUNTY, APPOINTED BY:

1. THEIR RESPECTIVE MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS; OR
2. THE EASTERN SHORE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION IF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS ARE UNABLE TO APPOINT A MEMBER WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME; AND

(V) IF THE MAJORITY OF THE MEMBER'S LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT IS IN THE REGION, EACH MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REPRESENTING THE REGION.

(3) THE NONVOTING MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ARE:

(I) EACH COMMISSIONER IN THE REGION WHO IS NOT APPOINTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION;

(II) EACH OTHER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REPRESENTING THE REGION IF THE MAJORITY OF THE MEMBER'S LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT IS NOT IN THE REGION; AND

(III) THREE COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS, ONE FROM EACH COUNTY.

(4) THE BYLAWS OF THE COUNCIL MAY PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL MEMBERS WHO ARE PUBLIC OFFICIALS OR EMPLOYEES OR PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS.

(B) PROXY VOTING.

(1) A MEMBER APPOINTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(2)(I), (II), OR (III) OF THIS SECTION MAY DESIGNATE ANOTHER COMMISSIONER OR A COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPRESENTING THE SAME COUNTY TO VOTE BY PROXY FOR THE MEMBER WHEN THE MEMBER IS ABSENT FROM A MEETING.

(2) A MEMBER WHO DESIGNATES A PROXY SHALL INFORM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING.

(C) TENURE; VACANCIES.

(1) A MEMBER WHO QUALIFIES BECAUSE OF THE MEMBER'S ELECTED OR APPOINTED POSITION IS A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL ONLY DURING THE MEMBER'S TERM OF OFFICE IN THE ELECTED OR APPOINTED POSITION.

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

(D) STATUS.

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP IS NOT AN OFFICE OF PROFIT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 20C, §§ 2-101, 2-102, and 2-103.