

# SENATE BILL 175

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By: ~~Senator Middleton~~ **Senators Middleton, Benson, Feldman, Hershey, Jennings,  
Klausmeier, Mathias, Oaks, Reilly, and Rosapepe**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Emergency Medical Services – Emergency Medical Services Board –**  
3 **Appointments**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing a provision that prohibits the Governor from appointing a  
5 member of the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland, a member of  
6 the Board of Directors of the Medical System Corporation, or an officer, or a  
7 full-time employee of the Medical System Corporation or the University of  
8 Maryland, Baltimore Campus to the Emergency Medical Services Board; prohibiting  
9 the Governor from appointing more than two persons from the same health system  
10 or medical schools under the same governing board to the Emergency Medical  
11 Services Board; and generally relating to appointments to the Emergency Medical  
12 Services Board.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
14 Article – Education  
15 Section 13–503  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
19 Article – Education  
20 Section 13–505  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



(2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

**Article – Education**

13–503.

(a) There is a Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems.

(b) The Institute is an independent agency located at the University of Maryland,  
Baltimore Campus.

(c) The Institute shall be governed by the State Emergency Medical Services  
Board.

(d) Funding for the Institute shall be from:

(1) The surcharge imposed under § 13–954 of the Transportation Article;

(2) General funds; and

(3) Funds from any other source.

13–505.

(a) (1) The EMS Board consists of 11 members appointed by the Governor.

(2) Of the 11 members:

(i) One shall be the Secretary of Health or the Secretary’s designee;

(ii) One shall be a representative of the University of Maryland,  
Baltimore Campus, nominated by the Board of Regents;

(iii) One shall be the chairperson of the Advisory Council;

(iv) One shall be a physician knowledgeable in the delivery of  
emergency medical services;

(v) One shall be a physician experienced in the clinical care of  
trauma patients;

(vi) One shall be a nurse experienced in the clinical care of emergency  
patients;

1 (vii) One shall be a career firefighter, emergency medical technician,  
2 or rescue squad person knowledgeable in the delivery of emergency medical services;

3 (viii) One shall be a volunteer firefighter, emergency medical  
4 technician, or rescue squad person knowledgeable in the delivery of emergency medical  
5 services;

6 (ix) One shall be a hospital administrator knowledgeable in the  
7 management and delivery of emergency medical services; and

8 (x) Two shall be from the public at large, one of whom shall reside  
9 in a county with a population of less than 175,000.

10 (b) (1) Each appointed member shall have demonstrated interest or  
11 experience in the delivery of emergency medical services.

12 (2) In appointing members to the EMS Board, the Governor shall take into  
13 consideration the five emergency medical service regions of the State to assure a geographic  
14 balance in the Board's membership.

15 (3) In appointing members to the EMS Board, the Governor shall take into  
16 consideration persons:

17 (i) Recommended by the Advisory Council; or

18 (ii) Recommended by any statewide organization or association  
19 which is interested and involved in the delivery of emergency medical services.

20 ~~[(4) Except as authorized under this section, the~~ **THE** Governor may not  
21 appoint to the EMS Board ~~any other person who is:~~

22 ~~(i) A member of the Board of Regents;~~

23 ~~(ii) A member of the Board of Directors of the Medical System~~  
24 ~~Corporation; or~~

25 ~~(iii) An officer or full-time employee of the Medical System~~  
26 ~~Corporation or the University.] **MORE THAN TWO PERSONS FROM:**~~

27 **(I) THE SAME HEALTH SYSTEM; OR**

28 **(II) MEDICAL SCHOOLS UNDER THE SAME GOVERNING BOARD.**

29 (c) (1) The term of an appointed member is 4 years.

1 (2) At the end of a term, an appointed member continues to serve until a  
2 successor is appointed and qualifies.

3 (3) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the  
4 rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

5 (d) Annually, from among the members of the EMS Board:

6 (1) The Governor shall appoint a chairperson; and

7 (2) The chairperson shall appoint a vice chairperson.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
9 October 1, 2018.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.