

SENATE BILL 345

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By: **Senator Glassman**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 ~~Environment~~ **Harford County – Water and Sewer Authorities – Number of**
3 **Directors**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the apportionment of the number of directors between or
5 among member political subdivisions required for a water and sewer authority
6 in Harford County; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to water
7 and sewer authorities.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Environment
10 Section 9–915
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Environment**

16 9–915.

17 (a) This section applies to an authority that has **[2] TWO** or more member
18 political subdivisions.

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.



1 (b) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (G) OF THIS SECTION,
 2 THE number of directors of the authority is the greater of:

3 (1) ~~{Five} SEVEN~~; or

4 (2) The number of member political subdivisions.

5 (c) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (G) OF THIS SECTION,
 6 THE articles of incorporation for the authority shall provide for:

7 (1) The appointment of directors;

8 (2) The staggering of their terms; and

9 (3) Where the number of member political subdivisions is less than ~~[5]~~
 10 ~~SEVEN FIVE~~, the apportioning of the directors between or among the member political
 11 subdivisions.

12 (d) (1) The term of a director may not be more than 5 years.

13 (2) If a vacancy occurs during the term of a director, the governing
 14 body of the political subdivision that is represented by the director shall fill the
 15 vacancy.

16 (e) If a political subdivision joins the authority, the governing body of the
 17 joining political subdivision immediately shall appoint ~~[1]~~ **ONE** director for a term that
 18 is the same as the terms of the other directors.

19 (f) If a political subdivision withdraws from the authority, any director who
 20 was appointed to represent the withdrawing political subdivision immediately ceases
 21 to be a director.

22 **(G) IN HARFORD COUNTY:**

23 **(1) THE NUMBER OF DIRECTORS OF THE AUTHORITY IS THE**
 24 **GREATER OF:**

25 **(i) SEVEN; OR**

26 **(ii) THE NUMBER OF MEMBER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.**

27 **(2) THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR THE AUTHORITY**
 28 **SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE APPORTIONING OF THE DIRECTORS BETWEEN OR**
 29 **AMONG THE MEMBER SUBDIVISIONS IF THE NUMBER OF POLITICAL**
 30 **SUBDIVISIONS IS LESS THAN SEVEN.**

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2012.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.