



Bill No. 18-23
 Concerning: Senior Services Advisory Board of
Frederick County

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 Frederick County Code, Chapter 1-2
 Section(s) 70 through 73

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council President Bud Otis on behalf of County Executive Jan Gardner

AN ACT to: create a Senior Services Advisory Board of Frederick County, state the powers and duties of the Board, set standards for the appointment of Board members, provide for the terms of the Board members, provide for certain ex officio members on the Board, describe the process for election of a Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, designate the Board as an advisory council to the Senior Services Division as defined in federal law, abolish the Commission on Aging that the Board replaces and provide for the members of the Commission on Aging serving at the time of that Commission's abolishment to serve on the Senior Services Advisory Board for the remainder of their terms without the need for appointment or confirmation.

Executive: _____ Date Received: _____

Approved: _____ Date: _____

Vetoed: _____ Date: _____

By amending:

Frederick County Code, Chapter, 1-2 Section(s) 70 through 73

Other: _____

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***	<i>Existing law unaffected by bill.</i>

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The County Council of Frederick County, Maryland, finds it necessary and appropriate to amend Frederick County Code Chapter 1-2: Administration to create a Senior Services Advisory Board of Frederick County, state the powers and duties of the Board, set standards for the appointment of Board members, provide for the terms of the Board members, provide for certain ex officio members on the Board, describe the process for election of a Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, designate the Board as an advisory council to the Senior Services Division as defined in federal law, abolish the Commission on Aging that the Board replaces, and provide for the members of the Commission on Aging serving at the time of that Commission's abolishment to serve on the Senior Services Advisory Board for the remainder of their terms without the need for appointment or confirmation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Frederick County Code be, and it is hereby, amended as shown on the attached Exhibit 1.

Harold F. (Bud) Otis, President
County Council of Frederick County,
Maryland

ARTICLE V: [COMMISSION] SENIOR SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD OF FREDERICK COUNTY AND DEPARTMENT ON AGING

DIVISION 1. [COMMISSION ON AGING] SENIOR SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD OF FREDERICK COUNTY

§ 1-2-70. [CREATED] CREATION, PURPOSE.

(A) The Senior Services Advisory Board of Frederick County [There] is hereby created [established a Frederick County Commission on Aging].

(B) The Senior Services Advisory Board of Frederick County advises the Frederick County Executive, County Council, and the Director of the Senior Services Division on the Division's delivery of a comprehensive and coordinated plan of services and activities for older individuals.

§ 1-2-70.1. ABOLISHMENT OF THE FORMER COMMISSION ON AGING.

The Frederick County Commission on Aging is hereby abolished.

§ 1-2-71.1. APPOINTMENTS, MEMBERS.

[The Frederick County Commission on Aging shall consist of 15 members who shall be residents of Frederick County and registered voters and shall be persons who have demonstrated an interest in the issues of the senior citizens of Frederick County. At least 50% of the members must be 60 years of age or older. Members should be representative of the geographic areas of Frederick County. No more than 20% of the members shall be providers of services to senior citizens in Frederick County. Members of the Frederick County Commission on Aging will be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the County Council, and will serve for a period of 3 years without compensation. Members shall be eligible for reappointment and the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the County Council, shall fill any vacancy occurring at any time in the membership of the Commission for the remainder of the unexpired term with a person with the same or similar background as the member who is being replaced.]

(A) The Senior Services Advisory Board of Frederick County shall consist of 11 members who shall be residents of Frederick County and registered voters in the County.

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(B) Membership should reflect the diversity of Frederick County residents, including older minority individuals and older individuals residing in rural areas who are participants or who are eligible to participate in County programs assisted by grants issued under 42 USC, Chapter 35, Subchapter III, Programs for Older Americans.

(C) Family caregivers of older individuals, representatives of older individuals, service providers, representatives of the business community, providers of health care to veterans and persons who have demonstrated an interest in the issues of older individuals are also eligible for appointment.

(D) At least 50% of the members must be 60 years of age or older.

(E) No more than 20% of the members shall be providers of services to older individuals, adults with disabilities or veterans.

(F) Eligibility for appointment as a service provider will be determined based on standards adopted by the Senior Services Division.

(G) In order to ensure representation of the entire County, each Council District shall have at least one representative.

(H) Members will be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the County Council. Members serving on the Commission on Aging when that Commission is abolished will automatically become members of the Senior Services Advisory Board for the remainder of their existing terms in office without the need for appointment or confirmation.

(I) Members will serve for a three year term without compensation. Of the initial 11 members, three shall be appointed for a term that expires in one year, four shall be appointed for a term that expires in two years and four shall be appointed for a term that expires in three years.

(J) Members may be reappointed, but may not serve more than two full three-year terms.

(K) Vacancies occurring at any time should be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term with a person with the same or similar background of the member being replaced.

§ 1-2-71.2. EX OFFICIO MEMBERS.

Ex officio non-voting members shall include [representatives of Frederick County agencies,] the Director and selected staff members of the [Department of Aging] Senior Services Division, the Director of the [Division of Citizen Services] county Department of Social Services, the county Health Department Health Officer and elected officials from the county or

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municipalities in the county.

§ 1-2-72. CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON.

The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the [Commission on Aging] Senior Services Advisory Board of Frederick County shall be elected by the [membership] members.

§ 1-2-73. POWERS AND DUTIES.

The [Commission on Aging shall have the power to promote the well-being and the quality of life of older adults in Frederick County. The Commission may conduct and/or participate in special events, community programs and other functions that promote the interests of older adults in Frederick County. The Commission] Senior Services Advisory Board of Frederick County shall serve as an advisory council to the [Department of Aging] Senior Services Division as defined in the Older Americans Act of 1965, 42 USC §3026(a)(6)(D), as amended, and advise the Director of the [Department of Aging] Senior Services Division on issues and decisions related to the services of the [Department] Division. The [Commission] Board may also make recommendations for action to the [county governing body] County Executive and County Council. [The Commission may establish a budget and request funding to carry out its purposes.]

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