

Bill No. 32-11
Concerning: Boards, Committees, and
Commissions – Committee
Evaluation and Review Board –
Report
Revised: 11/8/2011 Draft No. 6
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Ch. 21, Laws of Mont. Co. 2011

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Councilmembers Navarro and Rice, Council President Ervin, and Councilmember Riemer

AN ACT to:

- (1) establish a deadline for the Committee Evaluation and Review Board to issue its report to the Executive and Council;
- (2) require the Board to consider scenarios to reduce County staff time supporting boards, committees, and commissions;
- (3) require the Board to review and make recommendations on certain advisory boards, committees, and commissions that request continuation; and
- (4) generally amend County law regarding the membership, structure, and functions of boards, committees, and commissions.

By amending

Montgomery County Code
Chapter 2, Administration
Section 2-146

Boldface	<i>Heading or defined term.</i>
<u>Underlining</u>	<i>Added to existing law by original bill.</i>
[Single boldface brackets]	<i>Deleted from existing law by original bill.</i>
<u>Double underlining</u>	<i>Added by amendment.</i>
[[Double boldface brackets]]	<i>Deleted from existing law or the bill by amendment.</i>
* * *	<i>Existing law unaffected by bill.</i>

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Act:

Sec. 1. Section 2-146 is amended as follows:

2-146. Terms of committees.

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(c) Committee Evaluation and Review Board.

(1) The County Executive must appoint and convene at least every 10 years, subject to confirmation by the Council, a citizens review committee comprised of [no fewer than] at least 11 members.

(2) [This committee] The Committee must review the committee system and each then-existing committee and report to the Executive and Council its recommendations for changes in individual committees and the committee system as a whole. The Committee must submit an interim report to the Executive and Council within 6 months of appointment and submit a final report within 12 months of appointment.

(3) The County Executive must designate the review committee's chair and vice-chair.

Sec. 2. Contents of Committee Evaluation and Review Board Report. As part of its report, the first Committee Evaluation and Review Board appointed ~~[[in 2011]]~~ after November 8, 2011 must:

(a) develop scenarios for reduction of County staff time used to support the committees~~[[. The report must include]]], and consider~~ reduction scenarios of 25%, 50%, and 75%]; and

(b) ~~[[estimate]]~~ [[provide the number of hours spent by volunteers for each board, committee, and commission, including by members and other volunteers. Each board, committee, and commission, must provide the number of volunteer hours spent to the Committee Evaluation and

28 Review Board]] include a discussion of advisory board member
 29 workload.

30 **Sec. 3. Continuation of certain board, committees, and commissions:**

31 (a) *Purpose.* The County has many boards, committees, and commissions
 32 that provide a valuable service to the County with the work they
 33 perform. These boards, committees, and commissions require
 34 significant personnel and operating costs to function. In Fiscal Year
 35 2011, the County spent an approximate \$1.4 million on personnel and
 36 operating costs to support the County's boards, committees, and
 37 commissions. While these boards, committees, and commissions
 38 provide a valuable service, there may be opportunities for consolidation.

39 (b) *Continuation.*

40 (1) In this section, the following words have the meanings indicated:
 41 *Advisory board* means the following boards, committees, and
 42 commissions:

43 Advisory Committee on Consumer Protection

44 Agricultural Advisory Committee

45 Airpark Liaison Committee

46 Cable and Communications Advisory Committee

47 Commission for Women

48 Commission on Aging

49 Commission on Child Care

50 Commission on Children and Youth

51 Commission on Health

52 Commission on Juvenile Justice

53 Commission on People with Disabilities

54 Commission on Veterans Affairs

- 55 Committee for Ethnic Affairs
- 56 Committee on Hate/Violence
- 57 County-wide Recreation Advisory Board
- 58 Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission
- 59 Department of Permitting Services Advisory Committee
- 60 Dickerson Area Facilities Implementation Group
- 61 Domestic Violence Coordinating Council
- 62 Down County Recreation Advisory Board
- 63 East County Citizens Advisory Board
- 64 East County Recreation Advisory Board
- 65 Energy and Air Quality Advisory Committee
- 66 Fire and Emergency Services Commission
- 67 Forest Conservation Advisory Committee
- 68 Friendship Heights TMD Advisory Committee
- 69 Library Board
- 70 Mental Health Advisory Committee
- 71 Mid-County Citizens Advisory Board
- 72 Mid-County Recreation Advisory Board
- 73 Montgomery Cares Program Advisory Board
- 74 Noise Control Advisory Board
- 75 Pedestrian and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee
- 76 Rustic Roads Advisory Committee
- 77 Silver Spring Citizens Advisory Board
- 78 Silver Spring Transportation Management District Advisory
79 Committee
- 80 Silver Spring Urban District Advisory Committee
- 81 Solid Waste Advisory Committee

- 82 Sustainability Working Group
- 83 Taxicab Services Advisory Committee
- 84 Technology Investment Fund Loan/Grant Committee
- 85 Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board
- 86 Upcounty Recreation Advisory Board
- 87 Victim Services Advisory Board
- 88 Water Quality Advisory Group
- 89 Western Montgomery County Citizens Advisory Board
- 90 Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee

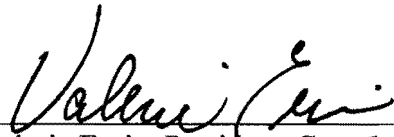
91 *Committee Evaluation and Review Board* means the Board
 92 appointed under §2-146.

93 (2) Each advisory board must indicate to the Committee Evaluation
 94 and Review Board, within 60 days after the Committee
 95 Evaluation and Review Board is appointed, if the advisory board
 96 should continue. Each advisory board that so indicates must
 97 provide the Committee Evaluation and Review Board with the
 98 following:

- 99 (A) a description of the work the advisory board does;
- 100 (B) justification for why the advisory board should be
 101 continued;
- 102 (C) a list of accomplishments from the prior 2 years, including
 103 any direct service provided by volunteers to residents;
- 104 (D) a discussion of advisory board member workload;
- 105 (E) a 2-year work program; and
- 106 ~~[(E)]~~ (F) an explanation of the amount of government resources,
 107 including County employee staff time, used and a plan to
 108 reduce the use of those resources.

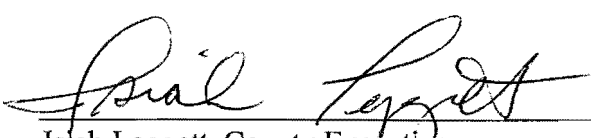
109 (3) In addition to the duties in §2-146, as part of its report, the first
110 Committee Evaluation and Review Board appointed [[in 2011]]
111 after November 8, 2011 must review each advisory board that
112 requests continuation under subsection (b)(2) and recommend to
113 the Council whether the advisory board should continue.

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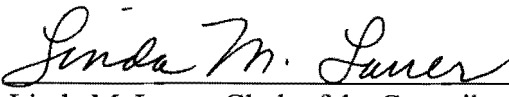
Valerie Ervin, President, County Council 11/9/2011
Date

116 *Approved:*

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Isiah Leggett, County Executive 11/20/11
Date

118 *This is a correct copy of Council action.*

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Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council 11/22/11
Date