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COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2020, Legislative Day No. 4

Bill No. 10-20

Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

By the County Council, February 18, 2020

Introduced and first read on February 18, 2020
Public Hearing set for March 16, 2020 (Postponed)
Public Hearing set for and held on May 11, 2020
Bill Expires May 23, 2020 (Expiration Date Extended to July 17, 2020)

By Order: JoAnne Gray, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies –
2 Commission on Disability Issues

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4 FOR the purpose of amending the composition of the Commission on Disability Issues;
5 amending the terms for membership on the Commission; amending the powers and
6 duties of the Commission; making technical corrections; and generally relating to
7 boards, commissions, and similar bodies.

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9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: §§ 3-2B-102; 3-2B-103; 3-2B-104(a); 3-
10 2B-107; and 3-2B-109
11 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

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13 BY adding: § 3-2B-104(d)
14 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

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16 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,*
17 That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended) read as follows:

18 19 **ARTICLE 3. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND SIMILAR BODIES**

20 21 **TITLE 2B. COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ISSUES**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.
[[Brackets]] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Captions and taglines in **bold** in this bill are catchwords and are not law.

1 **3-2B-102. Purpose.**

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3 The purpose of the Commission is to promote and enhance the quality of life for
4 **[[persons]] INDIVIDUALS** with disabilities by advising the County Executive and the
5 County Council on the coordination and development of government policies, programs,
6 services, and allocation of resources for **[[persons]] INDIVIDUALS** with disabilities and by
7 proposing the means to meet the needs of **[[persons]] INDIVIDUALS** with disabilities.
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9 **3-2B-103. Composition.**

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11 (a) **Number and type of members.** The Commission consists of at least **[[28]]** 22
12 members appointed by the County Executive. Of the members:
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14 (1) **[[twenty-one]] FIFTEEN** shall be voting members selected from the following
15 groups: **[[persons]] INDIVIDUALS** with a disability, family members of **[[persons]]**
16 **INDIVIDUALS** with a disability, representatives of organizations or agencies that provide
17 services for or represent **[[persons]] INDIVIDUALS** with disabilities, persons interested in
18 improving the quality of life for **[[persons]] INDIVIDUALS** with disabilities, or persons
19 having expertise in matters pertaining to **[[persons]] INDIVIDUALS** with disabilities; and
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21 (2) at least seven shall be **[[ex officio]] NON-VOTING** members selected from any
22 of the following entities and agencies or any other entity or agency that the County
23 Executive deems appropriate: Anne Arundel County ADA Office, Department of Aging
24 and Disabilities, Department of Inspections and Permits, Department of Public Works,
25 Department of Recreation and Parks, Department of Social Services, Office of Planning
26 and Zoning, Department of Health, County Council, and Police Department; Anne
27 Arundel County Board of Education; Anne Arundel Community College; Anne Arundel
28 County Mental Health Agency, Inc.; the Anne Arundel County Public Library; the State
29 Department of Rehabilitation Services; and the City of Annapolis.
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31 (b) **Residency.** Each VOTING member shall be a resident of the County.
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33 (c) **ADA Coordinator.** THE ADA COORDINATOR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND
34 DISABILITIES SHALL SERVE AS THE LIAISON BETWEEN THE COMMISSION AND THE
35 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITIES. THE ADA
36 COORDINATOR SHALL PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMISSION.
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38 **3-2B-104. Term of members.**

39 (a) **Generally.**

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41 (1) Of the voting members, **[[seven]] FIVE** shall be appointed for initial terms of
42 three years, **[[seven]] FIVE** shall be appointed for initial terms of two years, and **[[seven]]**
43 **FIVE** shall be appointed for initial terms of one year. After the expiration of the initial terms,
44 **[[all terms]] VOTING MEMBERS** shall be APPOINTED for **[[three-year terms]] TERMS OF**
45 **THREE YEARS.**
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48 (2) **[[Ex officio]] NON-VOTING** members shall serve at the pleasure of the County
49 Executive.

1 (3) VOTING MEMBERS SHALL SERVE A MAXIMUM OF TWO CONSECUTIVE TERMS.
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3 (D) **Removal.** A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION MAY BE REMOVED BY THE COUNTY
4 EXECUTIVE FOR CAUSE, INCLUDING ABSENCE FROM 25% OR MORE OF THE SCHEDULED
5 MEETINGS AND HEARINGS OF THE COMMISSION DURING ANY 12-MONTH PERIOD.
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7 **3-2B-107. Rules and regulations.**
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9 The Commission shall adopt rules and regulations to govern **[[its]]** procedures **[[and**
10 activities**]]** FOR ITS MEETINGS.
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12 **3-2B-109. Powers and duties.**
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14 Among its powers and duties, the Commission shall:
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16 (1) review available services and activities for **[[disabled persons]]** INDIVIDUALS
17 WITH DISABILITIES, gather data regarding their needs, and review reports and publications
18 of governmental agencies that provide services and support to **[[persons]]** INDIVIDUALS
19 with disabilities;
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21 (2) review County, State and federal legislation that may impact **[[persons]]**
22 INDIVIDUALS with disabilities and make recommendations to the County Executive **[[,**
23 County Council, and the County delegation to the State legislature**]]** regarding THE
24 legislation;
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26 (3) **[[recommend ways of maximizing the use of facilities and services available to**
27 persons with disabilities;
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29 (4)**]]** provide direct communication among **[[disabled persons]]** INDIVIDUALS WITH
30 DISABILITIES, private and public organizations, and the general public regarding COUNTY
31 programs and services for **[[persons]]** INDIVIDUALS with disabilities AS REQUESTED BY
32 THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITIES;
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34 **[[5]]** (4) assist interagency planning groups and special task forces to identify and
35 assess needs of **[[persons]]** INDIVIDUALS with disabilities AS REQUESTED BY THE
36 DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITIES;
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38 **[[6]]** (5) identify COMMON barriers to **[[service delivery and advocate for]]**
39 PROVISION OF services to **[[persons]]** INDIVIDUALS with disabilities in the County;
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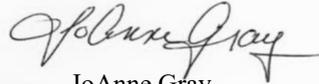
41 **[[7 promote]]** (6) ADVISE THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ON the coordination of
42 services among all public and private agencies, departments, and organizations, which
43 provide services and programs to **[[persons]]** INDIVIDUALS with disabilities; and
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45 **[[8]]** (7) identify and recommend to the County Executive sources of State and
46 federal financial assistance available for the purpose of expanding or improving services
47 and programs for **[[persons]]** INDIVIDUALS with disabilities.
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1 SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days
2 from the date it becomes law.

READ AND PASSED this 11th day of May, 2020

By Order:



JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer

PRESENTED to the County Executive for his approval this 13th day of May, 2020



JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer

APPROVED AND ENACTED this 13th day of May, 2020



Steuart Pittman
County Executive

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 27, 2020

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF
BILL NO. 10-20. THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH IS RETAINED IN THE
FILES OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.



JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer