

Bill No. 32-11
Concerning: Boards, Committees, and
Commissions – Committee
Evaluation and Review Board –
Report
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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 Committee Evaluation and Review Board appointed in 2011 must develop scenarios for reduction of County staff time used to support the committees. The report must include reduction scenarios of 25%, 50%, and 75%.

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

(a) *Purpose.* The County has many boards, committees, and commissions that provide a valuable service to the County with the work they perform. These boards, committees, and commissions require significant personnel and operating costs to function. In Fiscal Year 2011, the County spent an approximate \$1.4 million on personnel and

operating costs to support the County's boards, committees, and commissions. While these boards, committees, and commissions provide a valuable service, there may be opportunities for consolidation.

(b) *Continuation.*

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

Advisory Committee on Consumer Protection

Agricultural Advisory Committee

Airpark Liaison Committee

Cable and Communications Advisory Committee

Commission for Women

Commission on Aging

Commission on Child Care

Commission on Children and Youth

Commission on Health

Commission on Juvenile Justice

Commission on People with Disabilities

Commission on Veterans Affairs

Committee for Ethnic Affairs

Committee on Hate/Violence

County-wide Recreation Advisory Board

Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission

Department of Permitting Services Advisory Committee

Dickerson Area Facilities Implementation Group

Domestic Violence Coordinating Council

Down County Recreation Advisory Board

55 East County Citizens Advisory Board
 56 East County Recreation Advisory Board
 57 Energy and Air Quality Advisory Committee
 58 Fire and Emergency Services Commission
 59 Forest Conservation Advisory Committee
 60 Friendship Heights TMD Advisory Committee
 61 Library Board
 62 Mental Health Advisory Committee
 63 Mid-County Citizens Advisory Board
 64 Mid-County Recreation Advisory Board
 65 Montgomery Cares Program Advisory Board
 66 Noise Control Advisory Board
 67 Pedestrian and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee
 68 Rustic Roads Advisory Committee
 69 Silver Spring Citizens Advisory Board
 70 Silver Spring Transportation Management District Advisory
 71 Committee
 72 Silver Spring Urban District Advisory Committee
 73 Solid Waste Advisory Committee
 74 Sustainability Working Group
 75 Taxicab Services Advisory Committee
 76 Technology Investment Fund Loan/Grant Committee
 77 Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board
 78 Upcounty Recreation Advisory Board
 79 Victim Services Advisory Board
 80 Water Quality Advisory Group
 81 Western Montgomery County Citizens Advisory Board

Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee

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

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

(A) a description of the work the advisory board does;

(B) justification for why the advisory board should be continued;

(C) a list of accomplishments from the prior 2 years;

(D) a 2-year work program; and

(E) an explanation of the amount of resources, including County employee staff time, used and a plan to reduce the use of those resources.

(3) In addition to the duties in §2-146, as part of its report, the Committee Evaluation and Review Board appointed in 2011 must review each advisory board that requests continuation under subsection (b)(2) and recommend to the Council whether the advisory board should continue.

Approved:

Valerie Ervin, President, County Council

Date

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Isiah Leggett, County Executive

Date

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

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Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

Date