

# HOUSE BILL 535

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation**  
Introduced and read first time: January 21, 2022  
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington Suburban Transit Commission – Montgomery County**  
3 **Commissioners – Repeal of Term Limit**

4 **PG/MC 111–22**

5 FOR the purpose of repealing the prohibition against a Commissioner of the Washington  
6 Suburban Transit Commission serving more than a certain number of consecutive  
7 terms as it applies to a Commissioner appointed by the County Executive of  
8 Montgomery County; and generally relating to the Washington Suburban Transit  
9 Commission.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
11 The Public Local Laws of Montgomery County  
12 Section 87–5(a)(1) and (2)  
13 Article 16 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
14 (2004 Edition and July–August 2021 Supplement, as amended)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
16 The Public Local Laws of Montgomery County  
17 Section 87–5(a)(10)  
18 Article 16 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
19 (2004 Edition and July–August 2021 Supplement, as amended)

20 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
21 The Public Local Laws of Prince George's County  
22 Part III, Section 5(a)(1) and (2)  
23 Article 17 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
24 (2015 Edition and 2018 Supplement, as amended)

25 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
26 The Public Local Laws of Prince George's County

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Part III, Section 5(a)(10)  
 2 Article 17 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
 3 (2015 Edition and 2018 Supplement, as amended)

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

6 **Article 16 – Montgomery County**

7 87–5.

8 (a) (1) The commission consists of 7 members.

9 (2) (i) The County Executive of Montgomery County shall appoint 2  
 10 members, subject to the confirmation of the Montgomery County Council.

11 (ii) Of these two appointees, one shall be designated by the County  
 12 Executive to serve as an alternate member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit  
 13 Authority Board of Directors.

14 (10) (i) Commissioners, other than the required member from the Prince  
 15 George’s County Council, serve for a term of 4 years which begins on July 1[, and].

16 **(II) COMMISSIONERS, OTHER THAN THE REQUIRED MEMBER**  
 17 **FROM THE PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY**  
 18 **THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY**, may not serve more than two  
 19 consecutive terms.

20 **[(ii)] (III)** The terms of the commissioners, other than the required  
 21 member from the Prince George’s County Council, shall be staggered as required by the  
 22 terms provided for commissioners on October 1, 2012.

23 **[(iii)] (IV)** The commissioner required from the Prince George’s  
 24 County Council serves while a member of the county council, and at the pleasure of the  
 25 County Executive and County Council of Prince George’s County.

26 **Article 17 – Prince George’s County**

27 Part III.

28 5.

29 (a) (1) The Commission consists of 7 members.

30 (2) (A) The County Executive of Montgomery County shall appoint 2  
 31 members, subject to the confirmation of the Montgomery County Council.

1 (B) Of these two appointees, one shall be designated by the County  
2 Executive to serve as an alternate member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit  
3 Authority Board of Directors.

4 (10) (A) Commissioners, other than the required member from the Prince  
5 George's County Council, serve for a term of 4 years which begins on July 1[, and a  
6 maximum of].

7 **(B) COMMISSIONERS, OTHER THAN THE REQUIRED MEMBER**  
8 **FROM THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY**  
9 **THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN**  
10 two consecutive terms.

11 **[(B)] (C)** The terms of the Commissioners, other than the required  
12 member from the Prince George's County Council, shall be staggered as required by the  
13 terms provided for Commissioners on October 1, 2012.

14 **[(C)] (D)** The Commissioner required from the Prince George's  
15 County Council serves while a member of the County Council, and at the pleasure of the  
16 County Executive and County Council of Prince George's County.

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
18 1, 2022.