

SENATE BILL 87

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Senators Astle and Middleton**

Requested: November 7, 2016

Introduced and read first time: January 11, 2017

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Tourism Development Board – Destination Marketing Organization**
3 **Officials – Voting Rights**

4 FOR the purpose of granting the destination marketing organization officials who are
5 members of the Maryland Tourism Development Board certain voting rights; and
6 generally relating to members of the Maryland Tourism Development Board.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Economic Development
9 Section 4–203
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2008 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Economic Development
14 Section 4–204(a)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2008 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Economic Development**

20 4–203.

21 There is a Maryland Tourism Development Board in the Department.

22 4–204.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



(a) The Board consists of the following 24 members:

(1) 11 members appointed by the Governor in consultation with the Secretary and with the advice and consent of the Senate;

(2) three [nonvoting] members appointed by the Governor who are directors or chief executive officers from among the destination marketing organizations officially recognized by the Office;

(3) five members appointed by the President of the Senate of Maryland as follows:

(i) at least two members of the Senate; and

(ii) at least two members from the private business community; and

(4) five members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates as follows:

(i) at least two members of the House of Delegates; and

(ii) at least two members from the private business community.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2017.