

## Chapter 653

(House Bill 175)

AN ACT concerning

### Baltimore County Revenue Authority – Public Ethics Law

FOR the purpose of altering the provisions of the Maryland Public Ethics Law to include each board member and ~~employee~~ the chief executive of the Baltimore County Revenue Authority in the definition of “local official” for all purposes of the Baltimore County Public Ethics Law; and generally relating to public ethics laws and the Baltimore County Revenue Authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
 Article – State Government  
 Section 15–803  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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 Article – State Government  
 Section 15–807(b)  
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

#### Article – State Government

15–803.

(a) Subject to § 15–209 of this title, each county and each municipal corporation shall enact provisions to govern the public ethics of local officials relating to:

- (1) conflicts of interest;
- (2) financial disclosure; and
- (3) lobbying.

(b) Each local ethics commission or appropriate entity shall certify to the Ethics Commission that the county or municipal corporation is in compliance with the

requirements for elected local officials of this Part I on or before October 1 of each year.

15-807.

(b) [For] **IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, “LOCAL OFFICIAL” INCLUDES:**

**(1) EACH BOARD MEMBER AND ~~EMPLOYEE~~ THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE BALTIMORE COUNTY REVENUE AUTHORITY; AND**

**(2) FOR** the purpose of the financial disclosure provisions enacted by the governing body of Baltimore County, [“local official” includes:

(1) the executive director and each member of the revenue authority;  
and

(2)] except for a member of the Baltimore County Board of Education, each member of a board of a State agency that is wholly or partly funded by Baltimore County, regardless of whether the member is compensated.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2012.

**Approved by the Governor, May 22, 2012.**