

# SENATE BILL 405

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By: **Senators Pugh, Garagiola, Forehand, Kelley, Madaleno, and Montgomery**  
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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Life Sciences Advisory Board – Purpose and Membership**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the purpose of the Life Sciences Advisory Board in  
4 the Department of Business and Economic Development; altering the  
5 membership of the Advisory Board; and generally relating to the Life Sciences  
6 Advisory Board.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
8 Article – Economic Development  
9 Section 3–201  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2008 Volume and 2011 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article – Economic Development  
14 Section 3–202 and 3–203(a)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2008 Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Economic Development**

20 3–201.

21 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

22 (b) “Advisory Board” means the Maryland Life Sciences Advisory Board.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (c) "Life sciences" includes the fields of biotechnology, pharmaceuticals,  
2 biomedical technologies, life systems technologies, food sciences, environmental  
3 sciences, and biomedical devices.

4 3-202.

5 (A) There is a Maryland Life Sciences Advisory Board in the Department.

6 (B) **THE PURPOSE OF THE ADVISORY BOARD IS TO RECOMMEND STATE**  
7 **AND FEDERAL POLICIES, PRIORITIES, PRACTICES, AND LEGISLATION TO**  
8 **EXPEDITE THE CREATION OF PRIVATE SECTOR JOBS THROUGH THE**  
9 **COMMERCIALIZATION OF LIFE SCIENCES RESEARCH.**

10 3-203.

11 (a) The Advisory Board consists of the following [15] 18 members:

12 (1) the Secretary;

13 (2) a representative of the Maryland Technology Development  
14 Corporation, designated by the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; and

15 (3) the following members appointed by the Governor:

16 (i) three representing federal agencies located in the State with  
17 life sciences missions;

18 (ii) [four] SEVEN with executive experience in life sciences  
19 businesses located in the State, **AT LEAST FOUR OF WHOM REPRESENT SMALL**  
20 **BUSINESSES;**

21 (iii) four representing institutions of higher education located in  
22 the State, one of whom shall represent a community college;

23 (iv) one with general business marketing experience in a life  
24 sciences business located in the State; and

25 (v) one member of the general public.

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