

how well public bodies comply with the Open Meetings Act and recommends improvements in the law to the General Assembly.

In conjunction with the Office of the Attorney General and interested organizations or persons, the Board develops and conducts educational programs on the requirements of the Open Meetings Act for the staffs and attorneys of public bodies, the Maryland Municipal League, and the Maryland Association of Counties.

With Senate advice and consent, the Governor appoints the Board's members to three-year terms. At least one member must be a member of the Maryland Bar (Code State Government Article, secs. 10-501 through 10-512).

**PEABODY INSTITUTE  
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

*Chairperson:* Melvin A. Steinberg, Lieutenant Governor

*Appointed by Governor:* Henry A. Rosenberg, Jr., 1996; Jacques T. Schlenger, 1996; Shale D. Stiller, 1996.

*Nonvoting member appointed by Senate President:* Barbara A. Hoffman

*Nonvoting member appointed by House Speaker:* Samuel I. Rosenberg

*Ex officio:* Charles L. Benton, Jr., Secretary of Budget & Fiscal Planning; Shaila R. Aery, Ed.D., Secretary of Higher Education.

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**MANDATED REPORTS**

*Annual Report to Governor, Senate Budget & Taxation Committee, House Appropriations Committee, & Department of Fiscal Services due Aug. 1.*

Created in 1990, the Peabody Institute Oversight Committee recommends cost reductions and revenue enhancements to stabilize and improve the financial condition of Peabody Institute, the music conservatory in Baltimore City (Chapter 267, Acts of 1990). The Committee proposes the level of State funding to be appropriated for the Institute and recommends what amount of State funds should be disbursed every six months to the Institute.

The Committee consists of nine members. Four are appointed by the Governor. The Senate President appoints a senator and the House Speaker appoints a delegate as nonvoting members. The Lieutenant Governor chairs the Committee, and the Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning and the Secretary of Higher Education serve ex officio

(Code State Finance and Procurement Article, secs. 7-317 through 7-323).

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**BUDGET (CODE 22.08.00)**

	FY1992 (actual)	FY1993 (actual)	FY1994 (approp.)
Funds			
General	\$2,044,045	\$2,082,239	\$2,068,626
Total Funds	\$2,044,045	\$2,082,239	\$2,068,626
<b>Staff</b>			
Authorized	16.0	17.0	16
Contractual (FTE)	1.5	1.5	2
Total Staff	17.5	18.5	18

**ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**

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The office of People's Counsel was established in 1924 (Chapter 534, Acts of 1924). The People's Counsel represents the interests of residential consumers of gas, electric, telephone, sewer and water services, and noncommercial users of regulated transportation industries. The People's Counsel appears before the Public Service Commission and the courts on behalf of those users in all matters or proceedings over which the Commission has original jurisdiction and in which the People's Counsel deems their interest to be involved. The People's Counsel may appear before any federal or State agency to protect those interests of residential or noncommercial users.

The Office of People's Counsel operates independently of the Public Service Commission and may participate in all proceedings before the Commission. The Office may use Commission staff and retain expert witnesses to testify in proceedings before the Commission.

Appointed by the Governor with Senate advice and consent, the People's Counsel must be an attorney-at-law of the State (Code 1957, Art. 78, secs. 14-15B).