

WHEREAS, The Department does not at present have an advisory board or commission on sports; and

WHEREAS, The work of the existing Special Advisory Commission is near completion, and the Commission is not structured so as to be able to provide assistance and advice to the Department; and

WHEREAS, The Department would benefit from having the services and assistance of an advisory commission; now, therefore,

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

[Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments]

[Title 10. Independent and Miscellaneous Agencies]

Article 41A - Department of Economic and Employment Development

Title 4. - Division of Tourism and Promotion

Subtitle [7.] 4. [Special] Advisory Commission on [Professional] Sports [and the Economy]

[10-701.] 4-401.

In this subtitle, "Commission" means the [Special] Advisory Commission on [Professional] Sports [and the Economy].

[10-702.] 4-402.

There is [a Special] AN Advisory Commission on [Professional] Sports [and the Economy] WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT.

[10-703.] 4-403.

(a) (1) The Commission consists of [13] 17 members appointed by the Governor IN CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARY AND WITH-THE-ADVICE-AND-CONSENT-OF-THE-SENATE.

(2) Of the [13] 17 Commission members:

(i) [3] 6 shall be representatives OF AMATEUR AND of professional sports in the State;

(ii) 3 shall be representatives of State and local government;

(iii) [3] 4 shall be representatives of the general public;