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**Title:** Charter Amendment - Board of Estimates - Membership  
For the purpose of amending the membership of the Board of Estimates; making conforming changes; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

**Sponsors:** President Nicholas J. Mosby

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5/21/2024	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Office of Civil Rights and Wage Enforcement	
5/21/2024	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Dept. of Finance	
5/21/2024	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Office of the Mayor	
5/21/2024	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Office of the Comptroller	
5/21/2024	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Board of Elections	
5/21/2024	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to City Solicitor	
5/21/2024	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Baltimore City Administrator	
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**Explanation:** Capitals indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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The official copy considered by the City Council is the first reader copy.

**Introductory\***  
**City of Baltimore**  
**Council Bill**  
**(Charter Amendment)**

Introduced by: President Mosby

A Resolution Entitled

A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council concerning  
**Charter Amendment - Board of Estimates - Membership**

For the purpose of amending the membership of the Board of Estimates; making conforming changes; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

By proposing to amend

Article VI - Board of Estimates  
Section 1  
Baltimore City Charter  
(1996 Edition)

**Section 1. Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore,** That the City Charter is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

### **Baltimore City Charter**

#### **Article VI. Board of Estimates**

##### **§ 1. Establishment.**

(a) *In general.*

(1) *Members.*

There shall be a Board of Estimates composed of the Mayor, President of the City Council, [Comptroller, City Solicitor, and Director of Public Works,] and Comptroller, none of whom shall receive any additional salary as members of the Board.

(2) *Officers.*

(i) The President of the City Council shall be President of the [Board, and one of the members shall act as Secretary.] Board.

(ii) The Comptroller shall act as Secretary of the Board.

(3) *Staff.*

The Board may employ such employees as may be necessary to discharge its duties; their number and compensation shall be fixed in the Ordinance of Estimates.

(b) *Meetings.*

(1) *First meeting.*

The first meeting of the Board in every year shall be called by notice from the Mayor or President of the City Council and personally served upon members of the Board. Subsequent meetings shall be called as the Board may direct.

(2) *Quorum.*

A quorum of the Board consists of all 3 members or the members' designees, as permitted by this section.

(3) *Rules of proceedings.*

The Board shall adopt rules for the conduct of its proceedings, which may be modified or repealed by ordinance. The rules shall be in writing and when adopted shall be immediately filed in the office of the Board and shall be a public record. A copy of the rules and any amendments to the rules shall be filed with the Department of Legislative Reference.

(c) *Representatives.*

(1) *In general.*

If a member is unable to attend a Board meeting, that member's representative, as designated [in the Charter,] below, may attend and exercise the powers of the member.

(2) *Designated representatives.*

- (i) [The Mayor may designate a municipal officer or member of the Mayor's personal staff to represent the Mayor and exercise the Mayor's power at Board meetings in the Mayor's absence.] The Mayor's designee shall be the City Administrator.
- (ii) The City Council President's designee shall be the Vice President of the City Council.
- (iii) The Comptroller's designee shall be the Deputy Comptroller.

**Section 2. And be it further resolved,** That this proposed amendment to the City Charter be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of Baltimore City, for adoption or rejection, in accordance with Article XI-A, § 5 of the Maryland Constitution, in the form specified by the City Solicitor.