

Maryland Government Finance Officers Association

Proposed Changes to By Laws for Action at the June 18, 2020 Annual Meeting

Note: Proposed new language is in **bold underlined** and proposed deletions are in brackets []

Approved by Active Members of MD GFOA on _____, 2020

Purpose: To permit active memberships by employees of a government entity in Delaware and to provide that board representation for the Eastern Region can be from Delaware as well as from Maryland Counties on the Eastern Shore.

Article III. Membership

Section 1. Classes of Membership

There are five classes of membership in the Association:

Active

Active membership may be held by any employee of a governmental entity in Maryland **or Delaware** who is employed in government financial management.

Article VI. Board of Directors

Section 1. Management

The management of the affairs of the Association shall be vested in a Board of Directors, which shall exercise the customary powers of directors of a business corporation. The Board may adopt any policies and procedures that it deems necessary or proper for the orderly conduct of the affairs of the Association.

Section 2. Composition and Representation

The Board of Directors of the Association shall be composed of 22 Directors having broad representation from both the private and public sectors, including the State and local governments from all Maryland regions as specified in this section **with the exception of Section 2.j. below**. The Board shall consist of the Officers of the Association and 18 Directors, including the immediate Past-President who remains an active member, the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Representative, and 16 elected Directors who shall represent associate and active members within their respective area of employment as follows:

- a. Four associate members with no more than two of them employed in the same industry
- b. One State Agency representative
- c. One County Government representative
- d. One Municipal Government representative
- e. One Public Education representative
- f. Three at large representatives employed from a related governmental entity
- g. One Central region representing Baltimore, Carroll, Harford Counties and Baltimore City;

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- h. One Washington Metropolitan region representing Montgomery, Howard and Prince George's Counties;
- i. One Southern region representing Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties;
- j. One Eastern region representing Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties; **and Delaware** and,
- k. One Western region representing Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington Counties.

Elected Directors from the [Maryland] regional areas (G thru K) shall be employed from Municipal, County or related governmental entities.