

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Bill No. 89-08

Introduced by Ms. Vitale, Chairman
(by request of the County Executive)

By the County Council, November 3, 2008

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Public Hearing set for December 1, 2008

Bill Expires February 6, 2009

By Order: Judy C. Holmes, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Anne Arundel
2 County Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families

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4 FOR the purpose of renaming the Local Management Board for Children, Youth, and
5 Families to be the Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families;
6 making certain technical changes reflecting changes in State law; providing for the
7 application of this Ordinance; and generally relating to the Anne Arundel County
8 Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families.

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10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: Article 3, Title 6, to be under the amended
11 Title “Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families
12 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

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14 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,*
15 That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended) read as follows:

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17 ARTICLE 3 BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND SIMILAR BODIES
18 TITLE 6. ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH,
19 AND FAMILIES

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21 **3-6-101. Definitions.**

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23 In this title, the following words have the meanings indicated.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

1 [(1) “Board” means the Local Management Board for Children, Youth, and Families.

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3 (2)] (1) “Child Service Agencies” means the Board of Education, the Department of
4 Health, the Department of Social Services, the State Department of Juvenile Services, the
5 State Mental Hygiene Administration, and any other agency that is brought within the scope
6 of community partnerships by State law.

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8 [(3)] (2) “Community partnerships” means the State program by which services
9 provided to children, youth, and families are to be coordinated and delivered through an
10 interagency system.

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12 (3) “PARTNERSHIP” MEANS THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR
13 CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES.

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15 **3-6-102. Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families**
16 **established.**

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18 There is [a Local Management Board] AN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PARTNERSHIP for
19 Children, Youth, and Families.

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21 **3-6-103. Composition.**

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23 (a) **Generally.** The [Board] PARTNERSHIP consists of at least 11 members.

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25 (b) **Appointed members.** The following members are appointed by the County
26 Executive:

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28 (1) the [Human Services Officer] SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR MINORITY AFFAIRS;

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30 (2) one County official;

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32 (3) four to six citizen members, including two [appointments, each of a parent]
33 PARENTS of [a child] CHILDREN served by [child service agencies] CHILD SERVICE
34 AGENCIES, and at least one member of the County business community.

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36 (c) **Ex officio members.** The following serve as ex officio members:

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38 (1) the Director of Social Services, or the Director's designee;

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40 (2) the Health Officer, or the Health Officer's designee;

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42 (3) the Superintendent of the Board of Education, or the Superintendent's designee;

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44 (4) one representative of the LOCAL OFFICE OF THE State Department of Juvenile
45 [Justice] SERVICES, designated by the Secretary of the Department; and

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47 (5) the President of the Board of the CORE Service Agency, or the President's

1 designee.

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3 **3-6-104. Terms of members.**

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5 (a) **Generally.** A member appointed by the County Executive serves only until the
6 County Executive's term ends.

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8 (b) **Expiration.** A member whose term has expired and who was appointed by the
9 County Executive holds over until a successor is appointed.

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11 (c) **Vacancies.** The County Executive shall fill a vacancy for the remainder of the
12 unexpired term of a [Board] PARTNERSHIP member who was appointed by the County
13 Executive.

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15 **3-6-105. Chair.**

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17 The County Executive shall designate the Chair.

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19 **3-6-106. Removal of a citizen member.**

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21 The County Executive may remove a citizen member of the [Board] PARTNERSHIP for
22 neglect of duty or any change in status of that member that renders the person ineligible to
23 serve.

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25 **3-6-107. Compensation.**

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27 Members of the [Board] PARTNERSHIP may not receive compensation for their service.
28 Citizen members shall be reimbursed, in accordance with the budget, for reasonable and
29 necessary expenses in the discharge of their duties.

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31 **3-6-108. Meetings and quorum.**

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33 (a) **Meetings.** The [Board] PARTNERSHIP shall meet at the call of the Chair or at the
34 request of eight members, but not less than eight times per year.

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36 (b) **Quorum.** A quorum consists of a majority of the [Board] PARTNERSHIP members. An
37 affirmative vote of a majority of those present at any meeting at which there is a quorum
38 shall be sufficient for any action of the [Board] PARTNERSHIP.

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40 **3-6-109. Powers and duties.**

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42 Among its powers and duties, the [Board] PARTNERSHIP may:

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44 (1) develop plans for non-categorical interagency family preservation services to
45 those populations identified by the State as appropriate for those services;

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47 (2) identify barriers to integration of and access to interagency services and develop

1 plans to overcome those barriers;

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3 (3) provide for community involvement in service delivery, including involvement in
4 the planning process and provision of financial and in-kind resources for services;

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6 (4) develop measures for specific outcomes, including reduction of the numbers of
7 children entering out-of-home and out-of-State placements;

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9 (5) promote training for all involved parties, including Board members, agency staff,
10 and the community, to assure an understanding of the goals of the interagency service
11 delivery system;

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13 (6) develop criteria to monitor and evaluate the implementation and quality of the
14 interagency service delivery system;

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16 (7) administer State and County funding for community partnerships and seek
17 alternative sources of funding;

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19 (8) recommend changes to the budget, mandate, or mission of community
20 partnerships;

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22 (9) receive and evaluate information from the child service agencies on service
23 statistics, revenues, expenses, and operating costs;

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25 (10) develop an integrated data collection capacity to evaluate the effectiveness of
26 interagency service delivery and provide for data collection; and

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28 (11) prepare periodic evaluations of the results of community partnerships for the
29 State and County governments.

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31 **3-6-110. Executive Director.**

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33 (a) **Selection.** The [Human Services] CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE Officer shall select,
34 employ, and supervise an Executive Director. Before selecting the Executive Director, the
35 [Human Services] CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE Officer shall consult with the [Board]
36 PARTNERSHIP or, if constituted, the Executive Committee of the [Board] PARTNERSHIP.

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38 (b) **Duties.** The Executive Director is an employee of the County who shall:

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40 (1) be [is] responsible for the daily operations of the [Board] PARTNERSHIP;

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42 (2) implement the [Board's] PARTNERSHIP'S policies; and

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44 (3) employ and supervise staff as provided in the annual County budget.

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46 **3-6-111. Local management agency.**

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1 The [Board] PARTNERSHIP is the local management agency required to be established by
2 the provisions of [Article 49D, § 11] THE HUMAN SERVICES ARTICLE, § 8-301, of the State
3 Code. It is a public agency and an instrumentality of County government. The [Board]
4 PARTNERSHIP shall ensure the implementation of a local, interagency service delivery system
5 for children, youth, and families.
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7 **3-6-112. Annual report.**
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9 On or before December 1 of each year, the [Board] PARTNERSHIP shall submit an annual
10 report to the County Executive concerning its activities for the preceding fiscal year and its
11 recommendations for future consideration.
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13 SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the members formerly appointed to the
14 Local Management Board for Children, Youth, and Families shall continue as members of
15 the Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families; that the Anne
16 Arundel County Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families shall succeed to the powers
17 and the duties of the Local Management Board for Children, Youth, and Families as of the
18 effective date of this Ordinance; that all records and similar documents shall be transferred
19 to, and shall be considered to be the property of, the newly constituted Anne Arundel County
20 Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families; and the publishers of the Anne Arundel
21 County Code shall include this Section 2 Enacting Clause in the printed and electronic
22 versions of the Code it produces.
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24 SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days
25 from the date it becomes law.