

HOW SB 284/HB 346 REDISTRICTING REFORM ACT'S COMMISSION AND PROCESS WOULD WORK

Maryland citizens apply to be selected to serve on the redistricting reform commission. Their applications are sorted into three categories:



The State Ethics Commission will evaluate the applications. The criteria to apply to be on the Redistricting Commission include:

- must have been a registered voter in Maryland for 3 years
- may not have changed affiliation during that time
- may not be a candidate for, member, nor staff of a member of the state General Assembly, Congress, Governor, or local government
- may not be an immediate family member of any of the above-mentioned
- may not be an officer of a political party or committee
- may not be staff or a consultant, of any of the above-mentioned
- may not be a current or former registered lobbyist;

The State Ethics Commission will pick 10 qualified applicants from each category based on relevant skills, impartiality, diversity, and geography



A random drawing of three citizens from each category results in the Redistricting Commission.



The Commissioners will be ineligible to hold appointive federal, state, or local public office; serve as paid staff for the General Assembly or member; or, register as a state, county, or municipal lobbyist; for 5 years from the time of appointment to the Commission. The activities of the Commission will be fully transparent and open to public scrutiny.