

SENATE BILL 17

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By: **Senator Reilly**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Open Meetings Act – Retention of Minutes and Tape Recordings – Revision**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the number of years after the date of an open session a public
4 body is required to keep a copy of written minutes of the open session and any tape
5 recording made under certain provisions of law; and generally relating to the
6 retention of minutes and tape recordings under the Open Meetings Act.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – General Provisions

9 Section 3–306(e)

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – General Provisions**

15 3–306.

16 (e) A public body shall keep a copy of the written minutes of each session and any
17 tape recording made under subsection (b)(2)(i) or (c)(3)(i) of this section for at least [1 year]
18 **5 YEARS** after the date of the session.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
20 October 1, 2016.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

