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CHAPTER\_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

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## Local Boards of Election - Employee Compensation

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Elections, upon the recommendation

- 4 of the State Administrator <u>of Elections</u>, to determine the fixed rate of
- 5 compensation of certain local election board employees; and generally relating to
- 6 compensation and of local election board employees.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 8 Article 33 Election Code
- 9 Section 2-207
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

- 13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 14Article 33 Election Code152-207.16(a)(1)17(2)18(i)18(i)Local board counsel; or
- 19 (ii) An election judge.

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1 (b) This section does not alter in any manner the method by which the salary 2 of an employee of a local board is funded by the county in which the employee is 3 employed.
4 (c) (1) Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, if the employees of 5 a local board are covered by its county merit system:
6 (i) The employees shall be classified employees under the county 7 merit system; [and]
8 (ii) The employees may be appointed and removed subject to the 9 personnel regulations of the county in which the local board is located <del>; AND</del>
10(III)NOTWITHSTANDING § 4-201 OF THE STATE PERSONNEL AND11PENSIONS ARTICLE, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR, THE12STATE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE FIXED RATE OF COMPENSATION OF THE13EMPLOYEES.
14 (2) If the employees of a local board are not covered by its county merit 15 system:
16 (i) The employees shall be in the skilled service or professional 17 service of the State Personnel Management System; <del>and</del>
18 (ii) Appointment and removal of the employees shall be in 19 accordance with the provisions of the State Personnel and Pensions Article that 20 govern skilled service or professional service employees; <u>AND</u>
21(III)NOTWITHSTANDING § 4-201 OF THE STATE PERSONNEL AND22PENSIONS ARTICLE, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR, THE23STATE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE FIXED RATE OF COMPENSATION OF THE24EMPLOYEES.
25 (d) Each classified employee shall be a registered voter of the State.
26 (e) An employee of a local board is subject to the restrictions and requirements 27 of § 2-301 of this article.
28 (f) The elections administrator in Prince George's County shall be in the 29 exempt service under the Prince George's County Personnel System.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
October July 1, 2000.

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