

HB0787/405868/1

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 787
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike line 2 in its entirety and substitute “Election Law – Subsequent Election Absentee Ballot List”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 3 down through “lists” in line 14 and substitute “requiring the State Board of Elections to establish guidelines for a subsequent election absentee ballot list; requiring that a voter who receives an absentee ballot be provided the opportunity to request an absentee ballot for the next subsequent election in certain materials accompanying the absentee ballot; requiring that a voter who requests an absentee ballot for the next subsequent election be placed on the subsequent election absentee ballot list; requiring that an absentee ballot be sent to a voter on the subsequent election absentee ballot list for certain elections; requiring that a voter be removed from the subsequent election absentee ballot list under certain circumstances; requiring a voter who requests an absentee ballot for the next subsequent election to notify the local board with certain information under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the subsequent election absentee ballot list”; in line 17, strike “, 9-304, and 9-305(a)”; and after line 19, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 9-304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 20, strike “**PERMANENT**” and substitute “**SUBSEQUENT ELECTION**”; in the same line, after “**LIST**” insert “**ESTABLISHED UNDER § 9-305.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE**”; and in line 26, strike “**(A)**”.

(Over)

On page 3, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 11, inclusive; and strike in their entirety lines 13 through 28, inclusive, and substitute:

“(A) A VOTER WHO RECEIVES AN ABSENTEE BALLOT SHALL BE PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR THE NEXT SUBSEQUENT ELECTION IN THE WRITTEN MATERIALS ACCOMPANYING THE ABSENTEE BALLOT.

(B) A VOTER WHO REQUESTS AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR THE NEXT SUBSEQUENT ELECTION SHALL BE PLACED ON THE SUBSEQUENT ELECTION ABSENTEE BALLOT LIST.

(C) AN ABSENTEE BALLOT SHALL BE SENT TO EACH VOTER ON THE SUBSEQUENT ELECTION ABSENTEE BALLOT LIST FOR:

(1) THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE REQUEST; AND

(2) ANY INTERVENING SPECIAL ELECTIONS.

(D) A VOTER SHALL BE REMOVED FROM THE SUBSEQUENT ELECTION ABSENTEE BALLOT LIST IF THE VOTER IS REMOVED FROM THE STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRY IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 3, SUBTITLE 5 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(E) A VOTER WHO REQUESTS AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR THE NEXT SUBSEQUENT ELECTION SHALL NOTIFY THE LOCAL BOARD IF THE ABSENTEE BALLOT IS TO BE SENT TO AN ADDRESS THAT IS DIFFERENT THAN THE ADDRESS TO WHICH THE VOTER’S PREVIOUS ABSENTEE BALLOT WAS SENT.”.