## **SENATE BILL 173**

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By: Chair, Anne Arundel County Senators

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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## Anne Arundel County Board of Education – Selection of Members – Straw Ballot

FOR the purpose of requiring that a question be placed on the ballot in Anne Arundel County at the November general election of 2014 to determine the sense of the voters of the County on the issue of changing the method of selecting members of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education; providing for the carrying out of the straw ballot; and generally relating to the holding of a straw ballot in Anne Arundel County.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That under the provisions of the Election Law Article, the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections, in consultation with the State Board of Elections, shall prepare and include on the ballot for the November general election of 2014 the following question:

"Do you favor changing the method of selection of the members of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education from appointment by the Governor (subject to each member's approval or rejection or retention or removal by the voters of the County at a subsequent election) to have instead a direct election by the voters of Anne Arundel County?"

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections and the County Council of Anne Arundel County shall do those things necessary and proper to place this question on the ballot prepared for the November general election of 2014, so that each participating voter in the County may have the opportunity to cast a vote on the question. The question shall be proposed, presented, tallied, and reported in general accordance with the provisions of the Election Law Article. The vote on this question is advisory only.



- SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  $\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \end{array}$
- October 1, 2013.