

HOUSE BILL 1406

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By: ~~Delegate Kipke~~ **Delegates Kipke and Afzali**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Election Law – Signed Voting Authority Cards – Maintenance**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring each local board of elections to maintain voting
4 authority cards that have been signed under a certain provision of law ~~to be~~
5 ~~maintained~~ for a certain period of time and in a certain manner; and generally
6 relating to the maintenance of signed voting authority cards.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – Election Law

9 Section 2–106

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Election Law**

15 2–106.

16 (a) **(1)** [The] **SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE**
17 State Board and each local board shall maintain and dispose of its public records in
18 accordance with the program for records management adopted by the State Board
19 under Title 10, Subtitle 6, Part IV of the State Government Article.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 **(2) ~~VOTING~~ EACH LOCAL BOARD SHALL MAINTAIN VOTING**
2 **AUTHORITY CARDS THAT HAVE BEEN SIGNED UNDER § 10-310(A)(6) OF THIS**
3 **ARTICLE ~~SHALL BE MAINTAINED~~ FOR 48 MONTHS BY:**

4 **(I) PHYSICALLY STORING THE VOTING AUTHORITY CARDS;**
5 **OR**

6 **(II) ELECTRONICALLY SCANNING AND STORING THE VOTING**
7 **AUTHORITY CARDS IN THE SAME MANNER THAT THE LOCAL BOARD STORES**
8 **OTHER ELECTRONIC MATERIALS.**

9 (b) If produced and proved by a representative of the applicable board, a copy
10 of a public record that is certified by and kept under the seal of the principal
11 administrative officer of that board shall be evidence in any court to the same extent
12 as the original record.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 June 1, 2014.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.