

SENATE BILL 20

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By: **Senator Hershey**

Introduced and read first time: January 16, 2015

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Kent County – Board of Elections – Membership**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the number of regular members of the Kent County Board of
4 Elections; requiring the members of the local board to be of certain political parties;
5 requiring that a vacancy on the local board be filled in a certain manner; making a
6 conforming change; and generally relating to the membership of the Kent County
7 Board of Elections.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

9 Article – Election Law

10 Section 2–201(l)

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

13 BY repealing

14 Article – Election Law

15 Section 2–204(b)(2)(ii)3.

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Election Law**

21 2–201.

22 (l) (1) In Allegany County, Baltimore City, Caroline County, Carroll County,
23 Cecil County, Charles County, Frederick County, Harford County, **KENT COUNTY**, Queen

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Anne's County, Somerset County, Talbot County, Washington County, Wicomico County,
2 and Worcester County, the local board consists of five regular members.

3 (2) Three regular members shall be of the majority party, and two regular
4 members shall be of the principal minority party.

5 (3) (i) If a vacancy occurs on the local board, the Governor shall appoint
6 an eligible person from the same political party as the predecessor member to fill the
7 vacancy in accordance with subsection (g) of this section for the remainder of the unexpired
8 term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

9 (ii) An appointment made while the Senate of Maryland is not in
10 session shall be considered temporary until the appointee is confirmed by the Senate.

11 2-204.

12 (b) (2) (ii) [3. In Kent County, a substitute member shall be paid at least
13 \$50 for each meeting that the substitute member attends.]

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
15 1, 2015.