Chapter 109

(House Bill 864)

AN ACT concerning

Kent County - Board of Elections - Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the number of regular members of the Kent County Board of Elections; requiring the members of the local board to be of certain political parties; requiring that a vacancy on the local board be filled in a certain manner; making a conforming change; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to the membership of the Kent County Board of Elections.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 2–201(l)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 102 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012 and Chapters 47 and 105 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014)

BY repealing

Article - Election Law

Section 2-204(b)(2)(ii)3.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

Article - Election Law

2-201.

- (l) (1) In Allegany County, Baltimore City, Caroline County, Carroll County, Cecil County, Charles County, Frederick County, Harford County, **KENT COUNTY**, Queen Anne's County, Somerset County, Talbot County, Washington County, Wicomico County, and Worcester County, the local board consists of five regular members.
- (2) Three regular members shall be of the majority party, and two regular members shall be of the principal minority party.
- (3) (i) If a vacancy occurs on the local board, the Governor shall appoint an eligible person from the same political party as the predecessor member to fill the vacancy in accordance with subsection (g) of this section for the remainder of the unexpired term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

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

2–204.

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

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2015, the effective date of Chapter 102 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012 and Chapters 47 and 105 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014. If the effective date of Chapter 102 and Chapters 47 and 105 is amended, this Act shall take effect on the taking effect of Chapter 102 and Chapters 47 and 105.

Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2015.