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BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 256
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “candidates” in line 7 down through “States” in line 8 and substitute “a Presidential ticket”; strike beginning with “name” in line 9 down through “States” in line 10 and substitute “names of the candidates on a Presidential ticket”; in line 10, strike “fails” and substitute “fail”; in line 11, strike “defining a certain term;” and substitute “prohibiting a certain political party from nominating a candidate for a presidential elector of the party if the Presidential ticket of the political party fails to satisfy certain requirements; defining certain terms; making a conforming change;”; and after line 18, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Election Law

Section 8-503(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2017 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 23, after “(A)” insert “**(1)**”; in the same line, strike the comma and substitute “**THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.**

(2)”;

and in the same line, strike “**FEDERAL**” and substitute “**FEDERAL**”.

On page 2, after line 1, insert:

(Over)

“(3) “PRESIDENTIAL TICKET” MEANS CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES RUNNING AS A UNIT.”;

in line 2, after **“(B)”** insert **“THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WHO IS A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE.**

(C);

in line 11, strike **“(C)”** and substitute **“(D)”**; in lines 12 and 16, strike **“(C)”** and **“(D)”**, respectively, and substitute **“(D)”** and **“(E)”**, respectively; strike beginning with **“CANDIDATE”** in line 3 down through **“CANDIDATE”** in line 4 and substitute **“PRESIDENTIAL TICKET”**; in line 5, strike **“THE”** and substitute **“EACH”**; strike beginning with **“NAME”** in line 16 down through **“STATES”** in line 17 and substitute **“NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES ON A PRESIDENTIAL TICKET”**; in line 17, strike the second **“THE”** and substitute **“EITHER”**; and after line 18, insert:

“(F) IF THE CANDIDATES OF A PRESIDENTIAL TICKET FAIL TO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, THE POLITICAL PARTY OF THE PRESIDENTIAL TICKET MAY NOT NOMINATE A CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR OF THE PARTY UNDER § 8-503 OF THIS TITLE.

8-503.

(a) **[Each] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 5-102(F) OF THIS ARTICLE, EACH political party shall nominate or provide for the nomination of candidates for presidential elector of the party in accordance with party rules.”.**