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Assigned to: Ways and Means

	A BILL ENTITLED
1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	State Board of Elections – Municipal Elections – Publication of Results on Website
$4\\5\\6\\7$	FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Elections to maintain a portal on its website through which municipalities submit election results; requiring the State Board to publish municipal election results on its website; and generally relating to the publication of municipal election results by the State Board of Elections.
8 9 10 11 12	BY adding to Article – Local Government Section 4–108.5 Annotated Code of Maryland (2013 Volume and 2022 Supplement)
13 14	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
15	Article – Local Government
16	4–108.5.
17 18	(A) IN THIS SECTION, "STATE BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
19	(B) THE STATE BOARD SHALL:

ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC PORTAL ON THE

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- STATE BOARD'S WEBSITE THROUGH WHICH MUNICIPALITIES SUBMIT ELECTION RESULTS; AND
- 3 (2) IMMEDIATELY AFTER A MUNICIPALITY SUBMITS ITS ELECTION 4 RESULTS, PUBLISH THE ELECTION RESULTS ON THE STATE BOARD'S WEBSITE.
- 5 (C) WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER A MUNICIPAL ELECTION IS HELD, THE 6 MUNICIPALITY SHALL SUBMIT TO THE STATE BOARD ELECTION RESULTS FOR EACH 7 OFFICE OR QUESTION VOTED ON AT THE ELECTION, INCLUDING:
- 8 (1) VOTE TOTALS FOR EACH OFFICE OR QUESTION REPORTED 9 SEPARATELY BY EACH OF THE FOLLOWING VOTING METHODS, IF APPLICABLE:
- 10 (I) IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING;
- 11 (II) MAIL-IN VOTING OR VOTE-BY-MAIL;
- 12 (III) PROVISIONAL VOTING; AND
- 13 (IV) IN-PERSON ELECTION DAY VOTING; AND
- 14 (2) IF THE MUNICIPALITY CONDUCTS PARTISAN ELECTIONS, THE 15 PARTY AFFILIATION OF EACH CANDIDATE.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2023.