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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Administrator of Election Laws - Term of Office**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the term of office of the State Administrator of Election
4 Laws; providing that the term of the State Administrator shall begin in the year the
5 Governor's term begins; terminating the term of office of the incumbent State
6 Administrator on a certain date; and generally relating to the State Administrator
7 of Election Laws.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article 33 - Election Code
10 Section 1A-1(b)(1)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

15 **Article 33 - Election Code**

16 1A-1.

17 (b) (1) There shall be a State Administrator of Election Laws who shall be
18 appointed by the Governor. He shall hold office during good behavior for a term of [six]
19 4 years and shall be removable during his term only for incompetence upon charges
20 furnished in writing by the Board setting forth the grounds for dismissal, and he shall
21 have ample opportunity for a hearing. A person may be appointed to successive or
22 additional terms. His salary shall be as provided in the annual State budget from time to
23 time. A vacancy shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the term of the State
25 Administrator of Election Laws shall begin July 1, 1999, and every 4 years thereafter. The
26 term of the State Administrator serving on the effective date of this Act shall terminate at
27 the end of June 30, 1999.

28 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
29 October 1, 1996.