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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Somerset County - Consolidated High Schools - Straw Poll

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that certain questions be placed on the ballot in

- 4 Somerset County at the November general election of 2000 to determine the
- 5 sense of the voters of the County on whether to consolidate the high schools in
- 6 Somerset County; providing for the carrying out of the straw poll; and generally
- 7 relating to the holding of a straw ballot in Somerset County.

8 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

9 MARYLAND, That, under the provisions of Article 33 - Election Code of the

10 Annotated Code of Maryland, the Somerset County Board of Elections, in

11 consultation with the State Board of Elections, shall prepare and include on the ballot

12 for the November general election of 2000 the following questions:

13 "Somerset County High Schools - Consolidation

- 14 Do you favor a proposal for a consolidated high school?"
- 15 "Somerset County High Schools No Consolidation
- 16 Are you against a proposal for a consolidated high school?"

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Somerset County

18 Board of Elections and the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners shall do

19 those things necessary and proper to place each question on the ballot prepared for

20 the November general election of 2000, so that each participating voter in the County

21 may have the opportunity to cast a vote on each question. Each question shall be

22 proposed, presented, tallied, and reported in general accordance with the provisions of 23 Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The vote on each question is advisory

24 only.

25 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 26 July 1, 2000.