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A BILL ENTITLED

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2 Student Voting Rights Act

- 3 FOR the purpose of requiring that, for each election, in each precinct in a county in
- 4 which an institution of higher education is located, the local board of elections
- for that county designate at least one polling place on the campus of the
- 6 institution of higher education; defining a certain term; and generally relating
- 7 to the establishment of certain polling places at certain institutions of higher
- 8 education for each election.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 10 Article 33 Election Code
- 11 Section 10-101
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

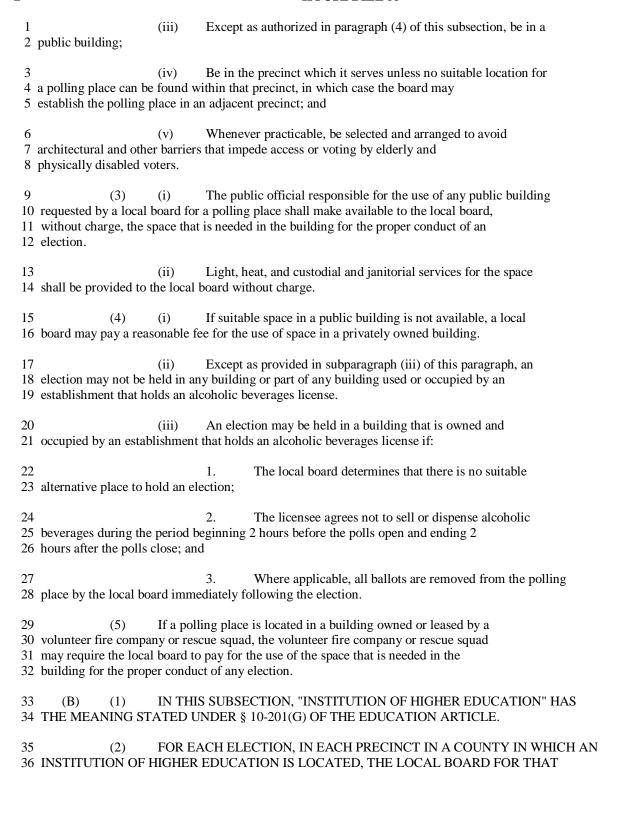
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 Article 33 - Election Code

17 10-101.

- 18 (a) (1) Each local board shall designate a polling place that meets the
- 19 requirements of this subsection for each precinct in the county as established by the
- 20 local board in accordance with Title 2 of this article.
- 21 (2) Each polling place shall:
- 22 (i) Provide an environment that is suitable to the proper conduct of
- 23 an election;
- 24 (ii) Be located as conveniently as practicable for the majority of
- 25 registered voters assigned to that polling place;

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2 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION. In Baltimore City, public buildings shall be used for polling [(b)](C) (1) (i) 4 places to the greatest extent feasible. For rental of privately owned polling places in Baltimore City (ii) 6 the local board shall pay an amount as determined in the ordinance of estimates, 7 provided that the amount is uniform on a citywide basis. 8 In Charles County, the local board may use private firehouses, 9 private halls, and other buildings for polling places. 10 In Montgomery County, the County Board of Education shall make (3)

1 COUNTY SHALL DESIGNATE AT LEAST ONE POLLING PLACE ON THE CAMPUS OF THE

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 14 October 1, 2001.

11 available the space and custodial service as needed for the proper conduct of elections

12 upon application by the local board.