
By: **Delegate Murphy**

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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Election Law - Baltimore County Republican Party Central Committee**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the method of electing the Republican Party Central
4 Committee in Baltimore County; providing for the election of certain members
5 from the County Council districts of the County; providing for the election of
6 certain members from the County at large; and generally relating to the
7 Republican Party Central Committee in Baltimore County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article 33 - Election Code
10 Section 4-203(c)(1)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

13 BY repealing
14 Article 33 - Election Code
15 Section 4-203(c)(2)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

18 BY adding to
19 Article 33 - Election Code
20 Section 4-203(c)(2)
21 Annotated Code of Maryland
22 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

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Article 33 - Election Code

2 4-203.

3 (c) (1) [Except as provided in paragraph (2)(i) of this subsection, in] IN
4 Baltimore County, members of the [party central committees] DEMOCRATIC PARTY
5 CENTRAL COMMITTEE may not run at large.

6 [(2) (i) Except for the Chairman, the members of the Republican Party
7 Central Committee shall be elected from the legislative districts of Baltimore County
8 as follows:

9 1. Three members shall be elected from any legislative
10 district that comprises 66% or more of its population within Baltimore County;

11 2. Two members shall be elected from any district which
12 comprises more than 33% but less than 66% of its population within Baltimore
13 County;

14 3. One member shall be elected from any legislative district
15 which comprises 33% or less of its population within Baltimore County; and

16 4. In any legislative district that is divided into delegate
17 districts and the delegate districts are located entirely within Baltimore County:

18 A. One member shall be elected from a single member
19 delegate district; and

20 B. Two members shall be elected from a two member delegate
21 district.

22 (ii) The Chairman shall be elected at large.

23 (iii) 1. The number of Republican Party Central Committee
24 members to be elected from each legislative district and each delegate district shall be
25 determined upon completion of each legislative districting.

26 2. The percentage of Baltimore County's population of a
27 legislative district shall be determined by the most recent United States census.]

28 (2) THE REPUBLICAN PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF:

29 (I) TWO MEMBERS ELECTED FROM EACH COUNCILMANIC
30 DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY; AND

31 (II) FOUR MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE COUNTY AT LARGE,
32 INCLUDING THE CHAIRMAN.

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