
By: **Delegates Kagan and Mandel**
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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Election Law - Local Regulation of Campaign Finance**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing counties to regulate campaign finance under certain
4 circumstances; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act;
5 providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally
6 relating to the regulation of campaign finance by counties and municipal
7 corporations.

8 BY adding to
9 Article 33 - Election Code
10 Section 13-103
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

13 BY adding to
14 Article - Election Law
15 Section 13-104
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (As enacted by Chapter _____ (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)

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

20 **Article 33 - Election Code**

21 13-103.

22 A COUNTY MAY ADOPT PROVISIONS CONCERNING CAMPAIGN FINANCE, ONLY IF
23 THE PROVISIONS ARE:

- 24 (1) AT LEAST AS STRINGENT AS THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE; AND
- 25 (2) NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland
2 read as follows:

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Article - Election Law

4 13-104.

5 A COUNTY MAY ADOPT PROVISIONS CONCERNING CAMPAIGN FINANCE, ONLY IF
6 THE PROVISIONS ARE:

7 (1) AT LEAST AS STRINGENT AS THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE; AND

8 (2) NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE.

9 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall
10 take effect October 1, 2002. It shall remain effective until the taking effect of Section
11 2 of this Act. If Section 2 of this Act takes effect, Section 1 of this Act shall be
12 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

13 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions
14 of Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect January 1, 2003.