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By: **Delegate Minnick**  
Introduced and read first time: February 13, 2002  
Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore County - Democratic Party Central Committee - Composition**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the composition of the Baltimore County Democratic  
4 Party Central Committee; providing for the termination of certain provisions of  
5 this Act; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act; and  
6 generally relating to the composition of the Baltimore County Democratic Party  
7 Central Committee.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article 33 - Election Code  
10 Section 4-203(c)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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17 (As enacted by Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of  
18 2002)

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

21 **Article 33 - Election Code**

22 4-203.

23 (c) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2)(ii) of this subsection, in  
24 Baltimore County, members of the party central committees may not run at large.

25 (2) The Republican Party Central Committee shall consist of:

26 (i) Four members elected from each councilmanic district in the  
27 county; and

1 (ii) A chairman elected from the county at large.

2 (3) For the Democratic Party Central Committee:

3 (i) [Fifteen] TWENTY members, five from each district, shall be  
4 elected from legislative districts 7, 9, 10, and 11, each district being located wholly  
5 within Baltimore County;

6 (ii) Five members shall be elected from that part of legislative  
7 district 6 that is located in Baltimore County;

8 (iii) Five members shall be elected from that part of legislative  
9 district 8 that is located in Baltimore County;

10 (iv) [Four] FIVE members shall be elected from that part of  
11 legislative district 10 that is located in Baltimore County;

12 (v) Three members shall be elected from that part of legislative  
13 district 12 that is located in Baltimore County;

14 (VI) ONE MEMBER SHALL BE ELECTED FROM THAT PART OF  
15 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 31 THAT IS LOCATED IN BALTIMORE COUNTY;

16 [(vi)] (VII) Two members shall be elected from that part of  
17 legislative district 42 that is located in Baltimore County;

18 (VIII) TWO MEMBERS SHALL BE ELECTED FROM THAT PART OF  
19 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 43 THAT IS LOCATED IN BALTIMORE COUNTY;

20 (IX) TWO MEMBERS SHALL BE ELECTED FROM THAT PART OF  
21 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 44 THAT IS LOCATED IN BALTIMORE COUNTY; AND

22 [(vii)] (X) [One member] TWO MEMBERS shall be elected from that  
23 part of legislative district 46 that is located in Baltimore County[; and

24 (viii) Two members shall be elected from that part of legislative  
25 district 47 that is located in Baltimore County].

26 (4) Only individuals affiliated with the Democratic Party and who are  
27 registered to vote in Baltimore County may vote for the election of members to the  
28 Baltimore County Democratic Party Central Committee under this section.

29 (5) The number of Democratic Party Central Committee members to be  
30 elected from each legislative district, or portion of legislative district, in Baltimore  
31 County shall be determined upon completion of each legislative districting.

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

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