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**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Revised**

House Bill 1258

(Delegate Minnick)

Commerce and Government Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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

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This bill expands the membership of the Baltimore County Democratic Party Central Committee from 37 members to 41.

The bill is effective July 1, 2002.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** The bill's changes could be made by the State Board of Elections using existing budgeted resources.

**Local Effect:** Baltimore County did not provide a fiscal estimate; however, it is anticipated that the FY 2003 budgets of all local election boards will contain funding for changes associated with redistricting.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Bill Summary:** The bill would increase the number of central committee members to be elected from the 46<sup>th</sup> legislative district from one to two members. Additional members would be added from those Baltimore County portions of the following newly created State legislative districts:

- one member from legislative district 31;
- two members from legislative district 43; and

- two members from legislative district 44.

Legislative district 47 is no longer a Baltimore County legislative district, thus there would no longer be 2 members elected from that district.

The bill also provides that the number and method of electing committee members under its provision is contingent on the legislative boundaries which took effect on February 22, 2002 remaining unchanged by pending litigation. The bill further provides that in the event the legislative boundaries are changed by a State or federal court, the committee would consist of five members, each elected from Baltimore County Councilmatic Districts.

**Current Law:** The Baltimore County Democratic Central Committee comprises 37 members elected from existing State legislative districts in Baltimore County. Five members each are elected from legislative districts 6, 7, 8, 9, and 11. Four members are elected from legislative district 10, three members from legislative district 12, two members each from legislative districts 42 and 47, and one member is elected from legislative district 46.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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