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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore County - Democratic Party Central Committee - Composition and**
3 **Election**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the composition of the Baltimore County Democratic
5 Party Central Committee; determining the next election for members of the
6 Baltimore County Democratic Party Central Committee; clarifying the term of
7 office for certain members of the Baltimore County Democratic Party Central
8 Committee; and generally relating to the composition and election of the
9 Baltimore County Democratic Party Central Committee.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article - Election Law
12 Section 4-203(c)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2003 Volume)

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

17 **Article - Election Law**

18 4-203.

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

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

22 (i) four members elected from each councilmanic district in the
23 county; and

24 (ii) a chairman elected from the county at large.

25 (3) [The] FOR THE Baltimore County Democratic Party Central
26 Committee [shall consist of five members elected from each councilmanic district in
27 Baltimore County]:

1 (I) TWENTY-FIVE MEMBERS, FIVE FROM EACH DISTRICT, SHALL
2 BE ELECTED FROM LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS 6, 8, 10, 11, AND 42, EACH DISTRICT BEING
3 LOCATED WHOLLY WITHIN BALTIMORE COUNTY;

4 (II) TWO MEMBERS SHALL BE ELECTED FROM LEGISLATIVE
5 DISTRICT 5 LOCATED WHOLLY WITHIN BALTIMORE COUNTY;

6 (III) FOUR MEMBERS SHALL BE ELECTED FROM THAT PART OF
7 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 7 THAT IS LOCATED IN BALTIMORE COUNTY; AND

8 (IV) THREE MEMBERS SHALL BE ELECTED FROM THAT PART OF
9 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 12 THAT IS LOCATED IN BALTIMORE COUNTY.

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

13 (5) THE NUMBER OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE
14 MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED FROM EACH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT, OR PORTION OF
15 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT, IN BALTIMORE COUNTY SHALL BE DETERMINED UPON
16 COMPLETION OF EACH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTING.

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the next election for the
18 Baltimore County Democratic Party Central Committee members will be in 2006 on
19 the same day the primary election for the Governor is held. Members elected at this
20 time will serve 4-year terms. The members of the Baltimore County Democratic
21 Party Central Committee who were elected in 2002 shall complete their term that
22 expires in 2006.

23 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 October 1, 2003.