
By: **Senator Colburn**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Talbot County - Board of Education - Selection of Members - Straw Ballot**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that a question be placed on the ballot in Talbot County
4 at the November general election of 2004 to determine the sense of the voters of
5 the county on the issue of changing the method of selecting members of the
6 Talbot County Board of Education; providing for carrying out the straw ballot;
7 and generally relating to the holding of a straw ballot in Talbot County.

8 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
9 MARYLAND, That under the provisions of the Election Law Article of the Annotated
10 Code of Maryland, the Board of Supervisors of Elections in Talbot County, in
11 consultation with the State Board of Elections, shall prepare and include on the ballot
12 for the November general election of 2004 the following question:

13 "Do you favor changing the method of selection of the members of the Talbot
14 County Board of Education from appointment by the Governor to election by the
15 voters of Talbot County?"

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Board of Supervisors
17 of Elections of Talbot County and the Board of Commissioners of Talbot County shall
18 do the things necessary and proper to place this question on the ballot prepared for
19 the November general election of 2004, so that each participating voter in the county
20 may have the opportunity to cast a vote on the question. The question shall be
21 proposed, presented, and tallied, and reported in general accordance with the
22 provisions of the Election Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The vote on
23 this question is advisory only.

24 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
25 July 1, 2004.