

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 478

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after “election;” insert “granting authority to certain entities to select early voting polling places; establishing that each local board of elections has the final authority to select the geographic locations for certain early voting polling places; requiring the Governor to allocate certain resources to implement this Act;”; and in line 8, after “guidelines” insert “by a certain date”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 6, after “(2)” insert “(I)”; in lines 8 and 9, strike “(I)” and “(II)”, respectively, and substitute “1.” and “2.”, respectively; in line 8, strike “AND”; and in line 9, after “PARTY” insert “; AND”

3. THE LOCAL BOARD BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF RECOGNIZED NONPRINCIPAL POLITICAL PARTIES AND OTHER PUBLIC INTEREST GROUPS.

(II) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, EACH LOCAL BOARD HAS THE FINAL AUTHORITY TO SELECT THE GEOGRAPHIC LOCATIONS FOR THE NUMBER OF EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES DESIGNATED BY THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THAT COUNTY”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 10, strike “POLLING LOCATIONS” and substitute “EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES SET BY THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR FOR A LOCAL BOARD”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, in line 17, after “BOARD” insert “UNDER THIS SECTION”; in line 22, strike

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“LOCATION” and substitute “PLACE”; in line 26, strike “LOCATIONS” and substitute “PLACES”; in line 27, after “(E)” insert “ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2006,”; after line 30, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Governor shall allocate the resources required to implement the requirements of this Act, including any gift received by the State for the purposes of this Act under § 2-201 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, or, except for federal funds received by the State to implement the requirements of the Help America Vote Act 2002, any federal or other funds or grant received by the State in accordance with federal and State law for the purposes of this Act by fiscal year 2007 and each fiscal year thereafter.”;

in line 31, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”; and in line 32, strike “October” and substitute “June”.