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CHAPTER\_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Election Law - Board of Canvassers - Tabulation and Reporting of Election**  
 3 **Results**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring that the statement of election results prepared by each  
 5 board of canvassers after an election list the election results for each candidate  
 6 or question voted on at the election in a certain manner; requiring each local  
 7 board to tabulate and publish election results in a certain manner; and  
 8 generally relating to the tabulation and reporting of election results.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 10 Article - Election Law  
 11 Section 11-402  
 12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 13 (2003 Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

16 **Article - Election Law**

17 11-402.

18 (a) (1) Unless otherwise provided by the Maryland Constitution, and except  
 19 as provided in subsection (b) of this section, each board of canvassers shall prepare a  
 20 statement of election results [by precinct] for each candidate or question voted on at  
 21 the election and declare:

22 [(1)] (I) who is elected or nominated for office:

- 1                    [(i)]    1.        in county government; or
- 2                    [(ii)]   2.        for any other office voted for only within that county, if the
- 3 certificate of candidacy for that office was issued by the local board; and
- 4                    [(2)]    (II)      whether or not a question is adopted or approved.

5                    (2)      THE STATEMENT OF ELECTION RESULTS PREPARED BY EACH BOARD

6 OF CANVASSERS SHALL LIST ELECTION RESULTS FOR EACH CANDIDATE OR

7 QUESTION VOTED ON AT THE ELECTION:

8                    (I)      BY PRECINCT;

9                    (II)     BY STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT, INCLUDING ANY

10 SUBDISTRICT; AND

11                   (III)    FOR THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE.

12        (b)      The statement prepared by the board of canvassers under subsection (a) of

13 this section may not report the absentee vote separately by precinct.

14        (c)      Each local board shall publish a sufficient number of copies of the complete

15 election results, tabulated [by precinct] IN THE MANNER REQUIRED UNDER

16 SUBSECTION (A)(2) OF THIS SECTION, and shall make the copies available to the

17 public at cost.

18        SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect

19 October 1, 2005.