

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1368, AS AMENDED
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the bill, in line 10, after "Act;" insert "requiring the Governor to appropriate sufficient funds to reimburse the counties for a certain portion of certain expenditures;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2 of the Ways and Means Committee Amendments (HB1368/505160/1), strike Amendment No. 4 in its entirety.

On page 2 of the bill, in line 26, after "(II)" insert "EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH,"; and strike beginning with "SELECT" in line 32 down through "COUNTY" in line 34 and substitute "SELECT:

A. ONE SITE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY SEAT FOR EACH COUNTY;

B. AT LEAST ONE SITE LOCATED AT A COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE COUNTY; AND

C. ANY ADDITIONAL SITES IN THE COUNTY ONLY FROM THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CHAIRMEN OF THE LOCAL CENTRAL COMMITTEES OF THE RECOGNIZED POLITICAL PARTIES.

(III) IN BALTIMORE CITY, THE LOCAL BOARD SHALL, CONSISTENT WITH THE GUIDELINES AND REGULATIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE BOARD, ESTABLISH EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES AT:

1. MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY;

(Over)

2. COPPIN STATE UNIVERSITY; AND
3. THE DUBURNS RECREATION CENTER".

On page 3 of the bill, after line 24, insert:

"SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That in fiscal year 2008, the Governor shall appropriate sufficient funds to reimburse each county at a rate of 50% of the total expenditures made during fiscal year 2007 to implement early voting, including expenditures made for the purchase of electronic poll books."

in line 25, strike "4." and substitute "5."; strike beginning with "shall" in line 25 down through "2006" in line 26 and substitute "is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted".