
By: **Senator McFadden**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Election Law - Baltimore City Board of Elections - Compensation for**
3 **Substitute Board Members and Election Judges**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the compensation for the substitute members of the
5 Baltimore City Board of Elections and for election judges in Baltimore City;
6 prescribing minimum compensation levels for election judges in Baltimore City;
7 providing compensation for an election judge's attendance at a certain course of
8 instruction, subject to a condition; providing that this Act does not apply to the
9 salary or compensation of the incumbent substitute members of the Board; and
10 generally relating to compensation for substitute members of the Baltimore City
11 Board of Elections and for election judges in Baltimore City.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article - Election Law
14 Section 2-204(b) and 10-205
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2003 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

19 **Article - Election Law**

20 2-204.

21 (b) (1) Consistent with paragraph (2) of this subsection, each substitute
22 member shall be compensated for each day of service as provided in the county
23 budget.

24 (2) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, a
25 substitute member shall be compensated at a rate of at least \$25 for each meeting of
26 the local board that the substitute member attends.

27 (ii) 1. In Baltimore City, a substitute member shall be paid
28 [\$150] \$200 for each meeting that the substitute member attends.

1 (ii) \$125 per day for every other election judge.

2 (4) In Calvert County, the compensation for each election day actually
3 served shall be:

4 (i) \$125 per day for each chief election judge; and

5 (ii) \$100 per day for every other election judge.

6 (5) In Harford County, the compensation for each election day actually
7 served shall be:

8 (i) not less than \$160 per day for each chief election judge; and

9 (ii) not less than \$125 per day for every other election judge.

10 (6) (i) In Prince George's County, the compensation for each election
11 day actually served shall be:

12 1. \$200 per day for two chief election judges; and

13 2. \$125 per day for every other election judge.

14 (ii) 1. In Prince George's County, except as provided under
15 sub-subparagraph 2 of this subparagraph, election judges and alternate election
16 judges shall receive \$25 as compensation for completing the course of instruction
17 required under § 10-206 of this subtitle.

18 2. An election judge or alternate election judge may not
19 receive the compensation authorized under this subparagraph if the election judge
20 refuses to serve on an election day, unless the local board excuses the election judge.

21 (7) (i) In Washington County, the compensation for each election day
22 actually served shall be:

23 1. \$175 per day for each chief election judge, plus a mileage
24 allowance as determined by the Washington County Board; and

25 2. \$150 per day for every other election judge.

26 (ii) In Washington County, a chief election judge or election judge
27 who successfully completes a course of instruction in poll working shall be eligible for
28 additional compensation, if approved by the Washington County Board and provided
29 for in the county budget.

30 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, §
31 35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to
32 the salary or compensation of the substitute member of the Baltimore City Board of
33 Elections in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act
34 concerning the salary or compensation of the substitute member of the Baltimore City

1 Board of Elections shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of
2 office.

3 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions
4 of Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006.