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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 1064 (Senator Della)
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Ways and Means

**Election Law - Baltimore City Democratic Party Central Committee -
Membership**

This bill changes the composition of the Baltimore City Democratic Party Central Committee so that it consists of seven members elected from each of the six legislative districts of Baltimore City (established under the 2002 Legislative Districting Plan). Each member must reside in, and be elected by the voters of, the district the member represents.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2006.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect Baltimore City government operations or finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Five members of the Baltimore City Democratic Party Central Committee are elected from the Baltimore City part of each of the eight legislative districts (established under the 1992 Legislative Districting Plan) in which all or a majority of the population resides in Baltimore City, and one member is elected from the

Baltimore City part of each of the two legislative districts in which a minority of the population resides in Baltimore City.

Background: Congressional and State Legislative Districts are redrawn following each decennial Census of the United States. Maryland's 2002 Legislative Districting Plan is that ordered by the Maryland Court of Appeals on June 21, 2002, and as amended July 1, 2002. Baltimore City residents reside in and make up the entire population of six legislative districts under the 2002 plan.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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