

HOUSE BILL 384

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By: **Delegate Conaway**

Introduced and read first time: February 2, 2007

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City Circuit Court – Jury Commissioner – Designation and**
3 **Supervision**

4 FOR the purpose of providing an exception for Baltimore City to a certain requirement
5 that the jury plan for a circuit court designate a jury commissioner; requiring,
6 in Baltimore City, that the clerk of the circuit court designate a jury
7 commissioner and, under certain circumstances, an acting jury commissioner,
8 for the circuit court; providing that the jury commissioner shall perform certain
9 duties under the control and supervision of the clerk; providing that the jury
10 commissioner is entitled to certain compensation set by law; and generally
11 relating to jury commissioners in Baltimore City.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
14 Section 8–205
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2006 Replacement Volume)

17 BY adding to
18 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
19 Section 8–205.1
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2006 Replacement Volume)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

2 8–205.

3 (a) **THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO BALTIMORE CITY.**

4 (b) Each jury plan shall designate a jury commissioner.

5 [(b)] (c) The jury commissioner for a circuit court shall be:

6 (1) The clerk of the circuit court; or

7 (2) Another individual designated in the manner set forth in the jury
8 plan.

9 [(c)] (d) A jury plan may designate, or allow a jury judge to designate, an
10 individual to serve as acting jury commissioner if the jury commissioner is temporarily
11 unavailable or unable to perform duties.

12 [(d)] (e) The jury commissioner for a circuit court shall manage jury
13 selection and service, under the control and supervision of the jury judge for the circuit
14 court.

15 [(e)] (f) A jury commissioner, other than a clerk, is entitled to the
16 compensation set by law.

17 **8–205.1.**

18 (a) **THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO BALTIMORE CITY.**

19 (b) **THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SHALL DESIGNATE THE JURY**
20 **COMMISSIONER.**

21 (c) **THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT MAY DESIGNATE AN**
22 **INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE AS ACTING JURY COMMISSIONER IF THE JURY**
23 **COMMISSIONER IS TEMPORARILY UNAVAILABLE OR UNABLE TO PERFORM**
24 **DUTIES.**

1 **(D) THE JURY COMMISSIONER FOR THE CIRCUIT COURT SHALL MANAGE**
2 **JURY SELECTION AND SERVICE, UNDER THE CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF**
3 **THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT.**

4 **(E) THE JURY COMMISSIONER IS ENTITLED TO THE COMPENSATION SET**
5 **BY LAW.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2007.