HOUSE BILL 542

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By: Delegate Ross Delegates Ross, Bohanan, Barve, Cardin, Gilchrist, Howard, Ivey, Kaiser, N. King, McKee, Olszewski, Stukes, and Walker

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Elections - Election Judges Training Pilot Program

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Election Judges Training Pilot Program to be 4 administered by the Center for American Politics and Citizenship at the 5 University of Maryland, College Park, in conjunction with the Prince George's 6 County Board of Elections and the Montgomery County Board of Elections and 7 the Center for the Study of Democracy at Saint Mary's College of Maryland; 8 requiring that the pilot program be administered in conjunction with the State 9 Board of Elections; specifying the purpose of the pilot program; requiring the 10 Governor to include certain funds in the State budget to pay for the pilot 11 program; requiring the Center for American Politics and Citizenship and the 12 Center for the Study of Democracy to submit a certain report on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to 13 the Election Judges Training Pilot Program. 14

15 BY adding to

16 Article – Election Law

17 Section 10–208

18 Annotated Code of Maryland

19 (2003 Volume and 2006 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

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

3 Article - Election Law

- 4 **10–208.**
- 5 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "PILOT PROGRAM" MEANS THE ELECTION
- 6 JUDGES TRAINING PILOT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE CENTER FOR
- 7 AMERICAN POLITICS AND CITIZENSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND,
- 8 COLLEGE PARK IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
- 9 BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
- 10 **BY:**
- 11 (1) THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN POLITICS AND CITIZENSHIP AT
- 12 THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK; AND
- 13 (2) THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF DEMOCRACY AT SAINT
 14 MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND.
- 15 (B) THE PILOT PROGRAM SHALL BE ADMINISTERED IN CONJUNCTION
 16 WITH THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
- 17 (B) (C) THERE IS AN ELECTION JUDGES TRAINING PILOT PROGRAM.
- 18 (c) (d) The purpose of the pilot program is to train and employ
- 19 STUDENTS ENROLLED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK AND
- 20 <u>SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND</u> TO WORK AS ELECTION JUDGES IN
- 21 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY AND IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY THE STATE FOR
- 22 THE 2008 PRIMARY ELECTION AND GENERAL ELECTION.
- 23 (D) (E) THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE \$100,000 IN THE FISCAL YEAR
- 24 2008 OR FISCAL YEAR 2009 STATE BUDGET FOR THE STATE BOARD OF
- 25 ELECTIONS TO BE DISBURSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND TO ACCOMPLISH THE
- 26 PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.
- 27 (E) (F) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2008, THE CENTER FOR
- 28 AMERICAN POLITICS AND CITIZENSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND,
- 29 COLLEGE PARK AND THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF DEMOCRACY AT SAINT

- MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND SHALL ISSUE A REPORT ON THE PILOT PROGRAM TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of June 30, 2009, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:	
	Governor.
	Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.