CHAPTER 224

(House Bill 181)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Election Law – Assistant Chief Election Judge Compensation for Election Judges

FOR the purpose of creating the position of assistant chief election judge in Baltimore County; specifying the amount of the compensation for assistant chief election judges; altering the compensation for chief election judges and other election judges in Baltimore County; and generally relating to election judges in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Election Law Section 10–203 and 10–205(b)(3) Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

Article – Election Law

10_203.

(a) The election director, with the approval of the local board, shall appoint the election judges for each polling place for a term that begins on the Tuesday that is 13 weeks before each statewide primary election.

- (b) One or two election judges in each precinct shall:
 - (1) be designated chief judge; and
 - (2) supervise the staff at the polling place.

(c) IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, AT LEAST ONE BUT NOT MORE THAN TWO ELECTION JUDGES IN EACH PRECINCT SHALL:

(1) BE DESIGNATED ASSISTANT CHIEF ELECTION JUDGE; AND

(2) ASSIST THE CHIEF ELECTION JUDGE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE CHIEF ELECTION JUDGE'S DUTIES, INCLUDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF PROVISIONAL BALLOT VOTING.

(**D**) The term of office for an election judge continues until the Tuesday that is 13 weeks before the next statewide primary election unless:

(1) the local board excuses the person for good cause; or

(2) a special election is held during the election judge's term of office and the State Board determines that a local board may not need the service of all of the appointed election judges.

[(d)] (E) A local board shall fill each vacant election judge position in the same manner as set forth in subsection (a) of this section.

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(b) (3) In Baltimore County, the compensation for each election day actually served shall be:

(i) [\$160] **\$225** per day for each chief election judge; {and}

(ii) **\$200 PER DAY FOR EACH ASSISTANT CHIEF ELECTION**

JUDGE; AND

(III) [\$125] **\$150 <u>\$162.50</u>** per day for every other election judge.

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

Approved by the Governor, April 24, 2007.