

HOUSE BILL 48

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By: **Delegate Ross**

Requested: November 5, 2007

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **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, and the Center for the Study of
6 Democracy at St. Mary's College of Maryland; requiring that the pilot program
7 be administered in conjunction with the State Board of Elections; specifying the
8 purpose of the pilot program; requiring the Governor to include certain funds in
9 the State budget to pay for the pilot program; requiring the Center for American
10 Politics and Citizenship and the Center for the Study of Democracy to submit a
11 certain report on or before a certain date; defining a certain term; providing for
12 the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Election Judges
13 Training Pilot Program.

14 BY adding to
15 Article – Election Law
16 Section 10–208
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2003 Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Election Law**

22 **10–208.**

23 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “PILOT PROGRAM” MEANS THE ELECTION
24 JUDGES TRAINING PILOT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(1) THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN POLITICS AND CITIZENSHIP AT**
2 **THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK; AND**

3 **(2) THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF DEMOCRACY AT ST. MARY'S**
4 **COLLEGE OF MARYLAND.**

5 **(B) THE PILOT PROGRAM SHALL BE ADMINISTERED IN CONJUNCTION**
6 **WITH THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS.**

7 **(C) THERE IS AN ELECTION JUDGES TRAINING PILOT PROGRAM.**

8 **(D) THE PURPOSE OF THE PILOT PROGRAM IS TO TRAIN AND EMPLOY**
9 **STUDENTS ENROLLED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK AND**
10 **ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND TO WORK AS ELECTION JUDGES IN THE**
11 **STATE FOR THE 2010 PRIMARY ELECTION AND GENERAL ELECTION.**

12 **(E) THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE \$100,000 IN THE FISCAL YEAR**
13 **2010 OR FISCAL YEAR 2011 STATE BUDGET FOR THE STATE BOARD OF**
14 **ELECTIONS TO BE DISBURSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND TO ACCOMPLISH THE**
15 **PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.**

16 **(F) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2010, THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN**
17 **POLITICS AND CITIZENSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE**
18 **PARK AND THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF DEMOCRACY AT ST. MARY'S**
19 **COLLEGE OF MARYLAND SHALL PREPARE AND SUBMIT A REPORT ON THE**
20 **PILOT PROGRAM TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF**
21 **THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 July 1, 2008. It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of June 30,
24 2011, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
25 abrogated and of no further force and effect.