By: Senator Pipkin

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## A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

## Caroline County - Board of Education - Selection of Members - Straw Ballot

FOR the purpose of requiring that a question be placed on the ballot in Caroline County at the November general election of 2008 to determine the sense of the voters of the county on the issue of changing the method of selecting members of the Caroline County Board of Education; providing for carrying out of the straw ballot; and generally relating to the holding of a straw ballot in Caroline County.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That under the provisions of the Election Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the Caroline County Board of Elections, in consultation with the State Board of Elections, shall prepare and include on the ballot for the November general election of 2008 the following question:
"Do you favor changing the method of selection of the members of the Caroline County Board of Education from appointment by the Governor to election by the voters of Caroline County?"

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Caroline County Board of Elections and the Board of County Commissioners of Caroline County shall do the things necessary and proper to place this question on the ballot prepared for the November general election of 2008 , so that each participating voter in the county may have the opportunity to cast a vote on the question. The question shall be proposed, presented, tallied, and reported in general accordance with the provisions of the Election Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The vote on this question is advisory only.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

