## **HOUSE BILL 444**

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By: Delegate Cardin

Introduced and read first time: January 29, 2010

Assigned to: Ways and Means

|  | A BILL ENTITLED  |
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| 1                                      | AN ACT concerning  |
| 2 3                                    | Election Law – Citizens Who Have Not Lived in the United States – Right to Vote  |
| 4<br>5<br>6<br>7<br>8<br>9<br>10<br>11 | FOR the purpose of providing that a citizen who has not lived in the United States but has a parent who is a resident of the State is a resident of the State for purposes of voter registration; prohibiting an individual from being considered a resident of the State if the individual has established a domicile outside the State; authorizing an individual to register to vote and vote in the county in the State where a parent resides if the individual meets certain requirements; and generally relating to enfranchising certain citizens who have not lived in the United States. |
| 12<br>13<br>14<br>15<br>16             | BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Election Law Section 3–102 Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Volume and 2009 Supplement)  |
| 17<br>18                               | SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:   |
| 19                                     | Article – Election Law   |
| 20                                     | 3–102.   |
| 21<br>22                               | (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, an individual may become registered to vote if the individual:   |
| 23                                     | (1) is a citizen of the United States;   |

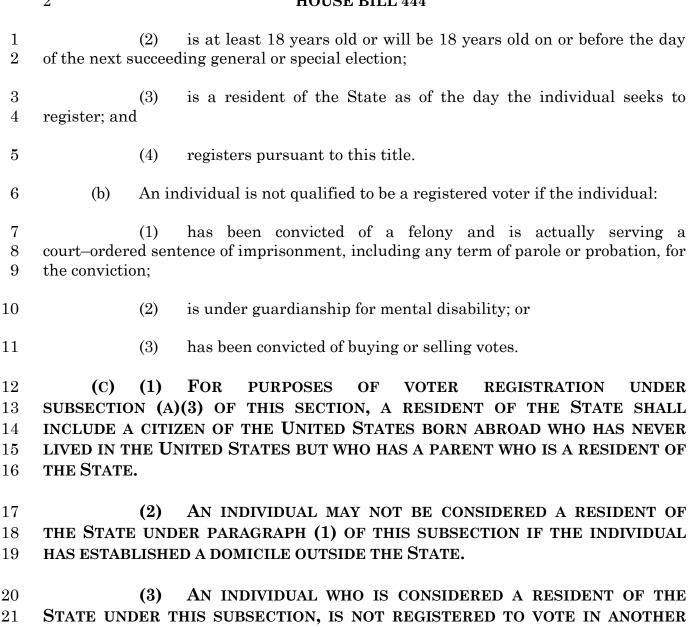
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STATE, AND IS OTHERWISE QUALIFIED MAY REGISTER TO VOTE AND VOTE IN

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

THE COUNTY IN THE STATE WHERE A PARENT RESIDES.