HOUSE BILL 1546

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A BILL ENTITLED

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L	AN	ACT	concerning

2 Cour	rts - Jury Selection	- Clerk of	Circuit Co	ourt
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- FOR the purpose of requiring the jury plan of each circuit court to designate a jury commissioner that is either the clerk of the circuit court or another individual designated by the clerk of the circuit court; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to maintain the source pool list; requiring the Administrative Office of the Courts to provide certain assistance to the clerk of the circuit court; and generally relating to procedures for jury selection.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 10 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 11 Section 8–101(b)
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 15 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 16 Section 8–205 and 8–206
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)
- 19 BY adding to
- 20 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 21 Section 8–218
- 22 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 23 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)
- 24 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 25 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:



- 1 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings 2 8-101.3 (b) "Jury commissioner" means an individual who is designated under 4 a jury plan to manage jury selection and service. 5 "Jury commissioner" includes an acting jury commissioner who is designated in accordance with a jury plan. 6 8-205.7 8 (a) Each jury plan shall designate a jury commissioner. 9 The jury commissioner for a circuit court shall be: (b) 10 The clerk of the circuit court; or (1) 11 Another individual designated [in the manner set forth in the jury 12 plan BY THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT. 13 A jury plan may designate, or allow a jury judge to designate, an 14 individual to serve as acting jury commissioner if the jury commissioner is temporarily 15 unavailable or unable to perform duties. 16 The jury commissioner for a circuit court shall manage jury selection and service, under the control and supervision of the jury judge for the circuit court. 17 A jury commissioner, other than a clerk, is entitled to the compensation 18 (e) 19 set by law. 8–206. 20 21(a) Each jury plan shall provide for a source pool solely from which the 22 names of prospective jurors are to be selected. 23 (b) The source pool under the jury plan for a county shall include the names of all of the adults on: 2425 A statewide voter registration list no older than that used in (i) 26the most recent general election as to residents of the county; 27 A list of holders of driver's licenses issued by the Motor (ii) Vehicle Administration to residents of the county; and 28
- 29 (iii) A list of holders of identification cards issued by the Motor 30 Vehicle Administration to residents of the county.

1	(2) The source pool under the jury plan for a county may include an	ıy
2	other list of residents of the county that the jury plan authorizes.	

- 3 (c) (1) Each jury plan shall detail procedures by which a jury 4 commissioner is to have names selected from the most recent source pool.
- 5 (2) Procedures under this subsection shall be designed to ensure each 6 jury is selected in accordance with the requirements of this title.
- 7 (D) THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SHALL MAINTAIN THE SOURCE 8 POOL LIST.
- 9 8-218.
- THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS SHALL PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AS NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT THE JURY PLAN.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2010.