

SENATE BILL 913

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ENROLLED BILL

— Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Ways and Means —

Introduced by **Senators Colburn and Pipkin**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Caroline County – Board of Elections – Membership and Compensation**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the number of regular members of the Caroline County
4 Board of Elections; requiring the members of the local board to be of certain
5 political parties; requiring a vacancy on the local board to be filled in a certain
6 manner; altering the amount of compensation for the president and other
7 regular members of the local board; ~~providing that this Act does not apply to the~~
8 ~~salary or compensation of the president and members of the local board during~~
9 ~~a certain term of office;~~ providing for the effective date of this Act; making a
10 stylistic change; and generally relating to the membership and compensation of
11 the Caroline County Board of Elections.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

13 Article – Election Law

14 Section 2–201(a) and (b)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 Annotated Code of Maryland
2 (2010 Replacement Volume)
3 (As enacted by Chapter 344 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010)

4 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
5 Article – Election Law
6 Section 2–201(l) and 2–204(a)(6)
7 Annotated Code of Maryland
8 (2010 Replacement Volume)
9 (As enacted by Chapter 344 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010)

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

12 **Article – Election Law**

13 2–201.

14 (a) (1) There is a county board of elections in each county of the State.

15 (2) Each local board and its staff is subject to the direction and
16 authority of the State Board and is accountable to the State Board for its actions in all
17 matters regarding the implementation of the requirements of this article and any
18 applicable federal law.

19 (b) (1) Except as provided in subsections (j), (k), and (l) of this section,
20 each local board consists of three regular members and two substitute members.

21 (2) Two regular members and one substitute member shall be of the
22 majority party, and one regular member and one substitute member shall be of the
23 principal minority party.

24 (3) Except as provided in subsection (l) of this section, in the event of
25 the absence of a regular member or a vacancy in the office of a regular member, the
26 substitute member of the same political party shall exercise the powers and duties of a
27 regular member until the regular member returns or the vacancy is filled as
28 prescribed in subsection (h) of this section.

29 (l) (1) In **CAROLINE COUNTY, SOMERSET COUNTY**, Wicomico County,
30 **AND** Worcester County, [and Somerset County,] the local board consists of five regular
31 members.

32 (2) Three regular members shall be of the majority party, and two
33 regular members shall be of the principal minority party.

34 (3) (i) If a vacancy occurs on the local board, the Governor shall
35 appoint an eligible person from the same political party as the predecessor member to

1 fill the vacancy in accordance with subsection (g) of this section for the remainder of
 2 the unexpired term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

3 (ii) An appointment made while the Senate of Maryland is not
 4 in session shall be considered temporary until the appointee is confirmed by the
 5 Senate.

6 2-204.

7 (a) Each regular member of a local board shall receive the salary and
 8 reimbursement of expenses provided in the county budget, but in no event may the
 9 annual compensation be less than the following amounts:

10 (6) in Caroline County, ~~[\$2,750]~~ **\$3,250** for the president, ~~[\$2,500]~~
 11 **\$3,000** for other regular members, and reimbursement for expenses incurred in the
 12 performance of election duties in accordance with the Standard State Travel
 13 Regulations;

14 ~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That pursuant to Article III, §~~
 15 ~~35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to~~
 16 ~~the salary or compensation of the president and members of the Caroline County~~
 17 ~~Board of Elections during a term of office beginning before the effective date of this~~
 18 ~~Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the~~
 19 ~~president and members of the Caroline County Board of Elections shall take effect at~~
 20 ~~the beginning of the next following term of office.~~

21 SECTION ~~2.~~ ~~3.~~ 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
 22 effect ~~October 1~~ June 6, 2011.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.