

SENATE BILL 931

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By: **Senator Conway**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2014

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Elections – Appointment of General Counsel**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that the State Board of Elections shall have a general
4 counsel; providing for the appointment, qualifications, and tenure of the general
5 counsel; authorizing the State Board to request professional assistance from the
6 Attorney General to assist the State Board in the performance of its duties; and
7 generally relating to legal counsel to the State Board of Elections.

8 BY renumbering

9 Article – Election Law

10 Section 2–104 through 2–107, respectively

11 to be Section 2–105 through 2–108, respectively

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

14 BY adding to

15 Article – Election Law

16 Section 2–104

17 Annotated Code of Maryland

18 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
20 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 2–104 through 2–107, respectively, of Article – Election
21 Law of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 2–105 through
22 2–108, respectively.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland
24 read as follows:

25 **Article – Election Law**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **2-104.**

2 (A) **THERE IS A GENERAL COUNSEL TO THE STATE BOARD.**

3 (B) **THE GENERAL COUNSEL SHALL:**

4 (1) **BE ADMITTED TO THE PRACTICE OF LAW IN THE STATE;**

5 (2) **BE APPOINTED BY THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR AFTER**
6 **CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE BOARD; AND**

7 (3) **SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR.**

8 (C) **THE STATE BOARD MAY REQUEST THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**
9 **PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE TO THE STATE BOARD IN THE**
10 **PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD.**

11 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 October 1, 2014.