SENATE BILL 20

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By: Senator Hershey

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Kent County - Board of Elections - Membership

- FOR the purpose of altering the number of regular members of the Kent County Board of
 Elections; requiring the members of the local board to be of certain political parties;
 requiring that a vacancy on the local board be filled in a certain manner; making a
 conforming change; and generally relating to the membership of the Kent County
 Board of Elections.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 Article Election Law
- 10 Section 2–201(l)
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
- 13 BY repealing
- 14 Article Election Law
- 15 Section 2–204(b)(2)(ii)3.
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
- 18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article – Election Law

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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



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1 2-201.

2 (l) (1) In Allegany County, Baltimore City, Caroline County, Carroll County, 3 Cecil County, Charles County, Frederick County, Harford County, **KENT COUNTY**, Queen 4 Anne's County, Somerset County, Talbot County, Washington County, Wicomico County, 5 and Worcester County, the local board consists of five regular members.

6 (2) Three regular members shall be of the majority party, and two regular 7 members shall be of the principal minority party.

8 (3) (i) If a vacancy occurs on the local board, the Governor shall appoint 9 an eligible person from the same political party as the predecessor member to fill the 10 vacancy in accordance with subsection (g) of this section for the remainder of the unexpired 11 term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

12 (ii) An appointment made while the Senate of Maryland is not in 13 session shall be considered temporary until the appointee is confirmed by the Senate.

14 2-204.

15 (b) (2) (ii) [3. In Kent County, a substitute member shall be paid at least 16 \$50 for each meeting that the substitute member attends.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
 1, 2015.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.