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House Bill 577

Ways and Means

(Delegate Shoemaker, *et al.*)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Election Law – County Employee Service as Election Judge – Administrative Leave

This bill requires that a county employee who serves as an election judge during hours that the employee is otherwise scheduled to work for the county receive (1) one hour of administrative leave for each hour of service as an election judge, up to a total of eight hours for each day of service, and (2) the applicable election judge compensation.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: The bill is not expected to materially affect local government finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law/Background: A State employee who serves as an election judge during hours that the employee is otherwise scheduled to work for the State (1) may use one hour of administrative leave for each hour of service as an election judge, up to a total of eight hours for each day of service, and (2) must receive the applicable election judge compensation.

The Maryland Association of Counties indicates that a number of counties currently provide administrative leave to employees that serve as election judges, including Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, Queen Anne's, and St. Mary's counties.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Montgomery, Washington, and Worcester counties; Maryland Association of Counties; Department of Legislative Services

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