

HOUSE BILL 289

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By: **Delegate Otto**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Somerset County – Elections – County Commissioners Districts and Board of**
3 **Education Candidate Filings**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing new boundaries for the county commissioner districts in
5 Somerset County; providing for the reopening of the candidate filing deadline for a
6 candidate for the office of member of the Somerset County Board of Education who
7 will be elected at the 2022 general election; prohibiting an individual who files for
8 the office of member of the Somerset County Board of Education from withdrawing
9 the candidacy; and generally relating to the election of county commissioners and
10 members of the Board of Education in Somerset County.

11 BY repealing

12 The Public Local Laws of Somerset County
13 Section 2–102(b) through (f)
14 Article 20 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
15 (2015 Edition, as amended)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

17 The Public Local Laws of Somerset County
18 Section 2–102(a)
19 Article 20 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
20 (2015 Edition, as amended)

21 BY adding to

22 The Public Local Laws of Somerset County

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.



1 Section 2–102(b) through (f)
2 Article 20 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
3 (2015 Edition, as amended)

4 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
5 That Section(s) 2–102(b) through (f) of Article 20 – Somerset County of the Code of Public
6 Local Laws of Maryland be repealed.

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

9 **Article 20 – Somerset County**

10 2–102.

11 (a) The County is divided into 5 commissioners' districts.

12 (b) **DISTRICT 1 CONSISTS OF THE AREA THAT IS BOUNDED BY THE**
13 **INTERSECTION OF DR WILLIAM P HYTCHE BLVD, UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD SOUTH**
14 **AND COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD, TURNING ONTO COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD IN A**
15 **NORTHERLY DIRECTION TO THE INTERSECTION OF COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD AND**
16 **UMES BLVD (MD ROUTE 822), THEN IN A NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE**
17 **CENTER OF UMES BLVD (MD ROUTE 822) TO SOMERSET AVENUE (MD ROUTE**
18 **675), CROSSING SOMERSET AVENUE (MD ROUTE 675) TO U.S. ROUTE 13 (OCEAN**
19 **HIGHWAY), THEN FOLLOWING U.S. ROUTE 13 (OCEAN HIGHWAY) IN A SOUTHERLY**
20 **DIRECTION TO KINGS CREEK, THEN IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG KINGS**
21 **CREEK TO STEWART NECK ROAD, THEN TURNING IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION**
22 **ONTO STEWART NECK ROAD, FOLLOWING THE CENTER OF STEWART NECK ROAD**
23 **TO ITS END AND TO THE INTERSECTION OF STEWART NECK ROAD AND REVELLS**
24 **NECK ROAD, THEN TURNING IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION ON REVELLS NECK ROAD**
25 **AND FOLLOWING ALONG THE CENTER OF REVELLS NECK ROAD TO MILLARD LONG**
26 **ROAD, THEN TURNING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ONTO MILLARD LONG ROAD,**
27 **CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF MILLARD LONG ROAD TO ITS END AND TO THE**
28 **INTERSECTION OF MILLARD LONG ROAD AND FAIRMOUNT ROAD (U.S. ROUTE**
29 **361), THEN TURNING IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION ONTO FAIRMOUNT ROAD (U.S.**
30 **ROUTE 361) AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF FAIRMOUNT ROAD (U.S.**
31 **ROUTE 361) TO CRISFIELD HIGHWAY (MD ROUTE 413), CONTINUING ACROSS**
32 **CRISFIELD HIGHWAY (MD ROUTE 413) TO RITZEL ROAD TO ITS END AND THE**
33 **INTERSECTION OF RITZEL ROAD AND OLD WESTOVER MARION ROAD, THEN**
34 **TURNING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ONTO OLD WESTOVER MARION ROAD,**
35 **RUNNING ALONG THE CENTER OF OLD WESTOVER MARION ROAD TO TURKEY**
36 **BRANCH ROAD, TURNING ONTO TURKEY BRANCH ROAD AND RUNNING ALONG THE**
37 **CENTER OF TURKEY BRANCH ROAD IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION TO WEDDA SCOTT**
38 **ROAD AND CONTINUING TO THE END OF TURKEY BRANCH ROAD, THEN TURNING IN**
39 **A NORTHERLY DIRECTION ONTO MENNONITE CHURCH ROAD, RUNNING ALONG THE**

1 CENTER OF THE ROAD OF MENNONITE CHURCH ROAD TO U.S. ROUTE 13 (OCEAN
2 HIGHWAY), CONTINUING ACROSS U.S. ROUTE 13 (OCEAN HIGHWAY) TO ARDEN
3 STATION ROAD, CONTINUING TO CURTIS CHAPEL ROAD, CROSSING CURTIS
4 CHAPEL ROAD IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION AND RUNNING ALONG THE CENTER OF
5 ARDEN STATION ROAD, CONTINUING TO AND CROSSING BACK CREEK AND
6 NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD, THEN CONTINUING FROM BACK CREEK AND
7 NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION CROSSING AN
8 IMAGINARY LINE OF APPROXIMATELY 3400 FEET TO MITCHELL ROAD, CONTINUING
9 ACROSS MITCHELL ROAD IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION ACROSS ANOTHER
10 IMAGINARY LINE OF APPROXIMATELY 1080 FEET TO MOORE BRANCH AND
11 CONTINUING IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION FOLLOWING THE CENTER OF MOORE
12 BRANCH TO AN INTERSECTION OF MOORE BRANCH AND KINGS CREEK, THEN
13 FOLLOWING THE CENTER OF KINGS CREEK IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION TO
14 DUBLIN ROAD, CROSSING OVER DUBLIN ROAD AND CONTINUING ALONG THE
15 CENTER OF KINGS CREEK IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION AND THEN IN A
16 NORTHERLY DIRECTION TO PERRYHAWKIN ROAD, THEN TURNING IN A
17 NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ONTO PERRYHAWKIN ROAD AND CONTINUING ALONG
18 THE CENTER OF PERRYHAWKIN ROAD IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION TO WEST POST
19 OFFICE ROAD (MD ROUTE 388), THEN TURNING IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION
20 ONTO WEST POST OFFICE ROAD (MD ROUTE 388) AND CONTINUING ALONG THE
21 CENTER OF THE ROAD TO PALMETTO CHURCH ROAD, TURNING IN A
22 NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ONTO PALMETTO CHURCH ROAD AND CONTINUING
23 ALONG THE CENTER OF THE ROAD TO ITS END AND TO THE INTERSECTION OF
24 BACKBONE ROAD AND COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD, THEN TURNING ONTO COLLEGE
25 BACKBONE ROAD IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION AND FOLLOWING ALONG THE
26 CENTER OF COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD AND CONNECTING TO MCCAIN DRIVE,
27 CONTINUING TO FOLLOW ALONG THE CENTER OF THE ROAD ON MCCAIN DRIVE,
28 THEN TURNING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ONTO ART SHELL PLAZA, THEN
29 TURNING IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ONTO UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD SOUTH
30 AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD SOUTH TO THE
31 INTERSECTION OF DR WILLIAM P HYTCHE BLVD, UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD SOUTH
32 AND COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD AND TO ITS POINT OF BEGINNING.

33 (C) DISTRICT 2 CONSISTS OF THE AREA THAT IS BOUNDED BY THE
34 INTERSECTIONS OF DR WILLIAM P HYTCHE BLVD, UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD
35 SOUTH AND COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD, TURNING ONTO COLLEGE BACKBONE
36 ROAD IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION TO THE INTERSECTION OF COLLEGE BACKBONE
37 ROAD AND UMES BLVD (MD ROUTE 822), THEN TURNING IN A NORTHWESTERLY
38 DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF UMES BLVD (MD ROUTE 822) TO SOMERSET
39 AVENUE (MD ROUTE 675), CROSSING SOMERSET AVENUE (MD ROUTE 675) TO U.S.
40 ROUTE 13 (OCEAN HIGHWAY), THEN FOLLOWING U.S. ROUTE 13 (OCEAN
41 HIGHWAY) IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION TO MT VERNON ROAD, THEN TURNING IN A
42 WESTERLY DIRECTION ONTO MT VERNON ROAD (MD ROUTE 362), CONTINUING

1 ALONG THE CENTER OF MT VERNON ROAD (MD ROUTE 362) IN A WESTERLY
2 DIRECTION, THEN TURNING IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION TO A BRANCH OF
3 MONIE CREEK AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF MONIE CREEK AND TO
4 MONIE BAY IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION AND THEN AROUND THE WESTERLY END OF
5 MT VERNON ROAD AND THEN IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION TO THE MOUTH OF THE
6 WICOMICO RIVER, CONTINUING IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE
7 CENTER OF THE WICOMICO RIVER TO THE WICOMICO CREEK, THEN CONTINUING
8 IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION ALONG WICOMICO CREEK TO PASSERDYKE CREEK,
9 CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF PASSERDYKE CREEK TO U.S. ROUTE 13
10 (OCEAN HIGHWAY) AND CONTINUING TO FOLLOW PASSERDYKE CREEK IN A
11 SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION TO MEADOWBRIDGE ROAD, THEN CONTINUING ALONG
12 THE CENTER OF MEADOWBRIDGE ROAD TO WEST POST OFFICE ROAD, THEN
13 TURNING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ON WEST POST OFFICE ROAD (MD ROUTE
14 388) AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF WEST POST OFFICE ROAD (MD
15 ROUTE 388) IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION TO PALMETTO CHURCH ROAD AND TO ITS
16 END, THEN TURNING IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION FROM THE INTERSECTION
17 OF PALMETTO CHURCH ROAD, BACKBONE ROAD AND COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD
18 ONTO COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD, RUNNING ALONG THE CENTER OF THE ROAD OF
19 COLLEGE BACKBONE ROAD IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION TO MCCAIN DRIVE,
20 CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF MCCAIN DRIVE, THEN TURNING IN A
21 SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ONTO ART SHELL PLAZA, THEN TURNING IN A
22 SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ONTO UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD SOUTH, FOLLOWING
23 ALONG THE CENTER OF UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD SOUTH TO THE INTERSECTION OF
24 DR WILLIAM P HYTCHE BLVD, UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD SOUTH AND COLLEGE
25 BACKBONE ROAD AND TO ITS POINT OF BEGINNING.

26 (D) DISTRICT 3 CONSISTS OF THE AREA BOUNDED BY A LINE BEGINNING AT
27 THE CENTER OF MONIE BAY, CONTINUING IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION NEAR NAIL
28 POINT AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF MONIE CREEK TO MT VERNON
29 ROAD (MD ROUTE 362), THEN CONTINUING IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE
30 CENTER OF MT VERNON ROAD (MD ROUTE 362) TO U.S. ROUTE 13 (OCEAN
31 HIGHWAY), THEN IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ONTO U.S. ROUTE 13 (OCEAN
32 HIGHWAY) TO KINGS CREEK, THEN TURNING IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG
33 THE CENTER OF KINGS CREEK TO STEWART NECK ROAD, THEN IN A
34 SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF STEWART NECK ROAD TO
35 REVELLS NECK ROAD, THEN TURNING IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION ONTO REVELLS
36 NECK ROAD AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF THE ROAD TO MILLARD
37 LONG ROAD, THEN TURNING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ONTO MILLARD LONG
38 ROAD AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF MILLARD LONG ROAD TO ITS END
39 AND CONNECTING WITH FAIRMOUNT ROAD (MD ROUTE 361), CROSSING
40 FAIRMOUNT ROAD (MD ROUTE 361) IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION TO RIVER ROAD,
41 CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF RIVER ROAD TO THE BIG ANNEMESSEX
42 RIVER, CONTINUING IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF THE BIG

1 ANNEMESSEX RIVER TO TANGIER SOUND, THEN ALONG THE CENTER OF TANGIER
2 SOUND, THEN IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION TO THE WICOMICO/SOMERSET COUNTY
3 LINE AND TO THE CENTER OF MONIE BAY AND TO ITS POINT OF BEGINNING.

4 (E) DISTRICT 4 CONSISTS OF THE AREA THAT IS BOUNDED BY A LINE
5 BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF WEST POST OFFICE ROAD (MD ROUTE 388)
6 AND MEADOWBRIDGE ROAD, THEN CONTINUING ALONG WEST POST OFFICE ROAD
7 (MD ROUTE 388) IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF THE
8 ROAD TO PERRYHAWKIN ROAD, THEN TURNING IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION
9 TO A BRANCH OF KINGS CREEK, THEN CONTINUING SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE
10 CENTER OF KINGS CREEK AND TAKING A SOUTHERLY TURN FROM KINGS CREEK
11 ACROSS AN IMAGINARY LINE OF APPROXIMATELY 1080 FEET TO MOORE BRANCH
12 CROSSING MITCHELL ROAD AND CONTINUING ACROSS ANOTHER IMAGINARY LINE
13 OF A DISTANCE OF APPROXIMATELY 3400 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION OF ARDEN
14 STATION ROAD AND NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD TRACKS, THEN IN A
15 SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF ARDEN STATION ROAD CROSSING
16 CURTIS CHAPEL ROAD, CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF ARDEN STATION
17 ROAD AND CROSSING U.S. ROUTE 13 (OCEAN HIGHWAY) TO MENNONITE CHURCH
18 ROAD, CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF MENNONITE CHURCH ROAD TO
19 TURKEY BRANCH ROAD, THEN CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF TURKEY
20 BRANCH ROAD IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION TO ITS END TO OLD WESTOVER MARION
21 ROAD, THEN IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF OLD WESTOVER
22 MARION ROAD TO RITZEL ROAD, THEN IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE
23 CENTER OF RITZEL ROAD CROSSING CRISFIELD HIGHWAY (MD ROUTE 413) TO
24 FAIRMOUNT ROAD (MD ROUTE 361), THEN IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE
25 CENTER OF FAIRMOUNT ROAD (MD ROUTE 361) TO RIVER ROAD, THEN IN A
26 SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF RIVER ROAD TO THE BIG
27 ANNEMESSEX RIVER, CONTINUING IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE
28 CENTER OF THE BIG ANNEMESSEX RIVER, THEN IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION
29 TO FLATCAP BASIN, THEN IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION TO WARD CREEK ON JANES
30 ISLAND, THEN ALONG THE CENTER OF WARD CREEK TO A POINT APPROXIMATELY
31 IN THE CENTER OF THE ISLAND, THEN SOUTHERLY ALONG AN IMAGINARY LINE TO
32 THE SHORELINE AT BACK CREEK, THEN FOLLOWING THE SHORELINE IN A
33 SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION TO LITTLE ANNEMESSEX RIVER, CONTINUING ALONG
34 THE CENTER OF LITTLE ANNEMESSEX RIVER CONNECTING TO A PRIVATE
35 RIGHT-OF-WAY, RUNNING ALONG THE CENTER OF THE PRIVATE RIGHT-OF-WAY TO
36 BYRD ROAD, THEN RUNNING IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF
37 BYRD ROAD TO JACKSONVILLE ROAD, THEN TURNING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION
38 ONTO JACKSONVILLE ROAD AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF THE ROAD TO
39 SILVER LANE, THEN TURNING IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION ONTO SILVER LANE AND
40 CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF SILVER LANE TO CRISFIELD HIGHWAY (MD
41 ROUTE 413), TURNING IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION ONTO CRISFIELD HIGHWAY
42 (MD ROUTE 413) AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF THE ROAD TO LAWSON

1 BARNES ROAD, THEN TURNING IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION ONTO LAWSON BARNES
2 ROAD AND CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF LAWSON BARNES ROAD AND
3 TURNING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF LAWSON BARNES
4 ROAD, THEN IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ACROSS AN IMAGINARY LINE OF
5 APPROXIMATELY 520 FEET TO A BRANCH OF JOHNSONS CREEK, CONTINUING
6 ALONG THE CENTER OF JOHNSONS CREEK TO CASH CORNER ROAD, THEN TURNING
7 IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF CASH CORNER ROAD TO
8 PHOENIX CHURCH ROAD, CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF PHOENIX CHURCH
9 ROAD (APPROXIMATELY 1180 FEET) THEN IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION OFF OF
10 PHOENIX CHURCH ROAD TO A BRANCH OF HORSE CREEK, THEN CONTINUING
11 ALONG THE CENTER OF HORSE CREEK TO APE HOLE CREEK, THEN ALONG THE
12 CENTER OF APE HOLE CREEK TO THE POCOMOKE SOUND AND THE
13 MARYLAND/VIRGINIA STATE LINE, THEN ALONG THE STATE LINE TO THE
14 POCOMOKE RIVER, THEN ALONG THE POCOMOKE RIVER TO THE
15 SOMERSET/WORCESTER COUNTY LINE, THEN ALONG THE COUNTY LINE
16 (POCOMOKE RIVER) TO DIVIDING CREEK, CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF
17 DIVIDING CREEK TO MEADOWBRIDGE ROAD, CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF
18 MEADOWBRIDGE ROAD TO THE INTERSECTION OF WEST POST OFFICE ROAD AND
19 MEADOWBRIDGE ROAD AND TO ITS POINT OF BEGINNING.

20 (F) DISTRICT 5 CONSISTS OF A POINT OF BEGINNING AT THE SOMERSET
21 COUNTY BOUNDARY LINE LOCATED JUST EAST OF SMITH ISLAND AND
22 ENCOMPASSING SMITH ISLAND, SOUTH MARSH ISLAND, AND THE AREA THAT IS
23 GENERALLY SOUTH AND WEST OF A LINE THAT RUNS FROM THE NORTH END OF
24 SOUTH MARSH ISLAND, THEN IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION TO FLATCAP BASIN
25 TO THE CENTER OF WARD CREEK ON JANES ISLAND TO A POINT APPROXIMATELY
26 IN THE CENTER OF THE ISLAND, THEN SOUTHERLY ALONG AN IMAGINARY LINE TO
27 THE SHORELINE AT BACK CREEK, THEN FOLLOWING THE SHORELINE IN A
28 SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION TO LITTLE ANNEMESSEX RIVER, CONTINUING ALONG
29 THE CENTER OF LITTLE ANNEMESSEX RIVER CONNECTING TO A PRIVATE
30 RIGHT-OF-WAY, RUNNING ALONG THE CENTER OF THE PRIVATE RIGHT-OF-WAY TO
31 BYRD ROAD, THEN ALONG THE CENTER OF BYRD ROAD TO JACKSONVILLE ROAD,
32 CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF JACKSONVILLE ROAD IN A SOUTHERLY
33 DIRECTION TO SILVER LANE, CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF SILVER LANE TO
34 CRISFIELD HIGHWAY (MD ROUTE 413), CONTINUING IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION
35 ALONG THE CENTER OF CRISFIELD HIGHWAY (MD ROUTE 413) TO LAWSON BARNES
36 ROAD, THEN CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF LAWSON BARNES ROAD IN A
37 SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION, THEN IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION ACROSS AN
38 IMAGINARY LINE OF APPROXIMATELY 520 FEET TO A BRANCH OF JOHNSONS CREEK,
39 CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF A BRANCH OF JOHNSONS CREEK TO
40 JOHNSONS CREEK, CONTINUING ALONG THE CENTER OF JOHNSONS CREEK TO
41 CASH CORNER ROAD, THEN IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE CENTER OF
42 CASH CORNER ROAD TO PHOENIX CHURCH ROAD, CONTINUING ALONG THE

1 CENTER OF PHOENIX CHURCH ROAD (APPROXIMATELY 1180 FEET) THEN IN A
 2 SOUTHERLY DIRECTION OFF OF PHOENIX CHURCH ROAD TO A BRANCH OF HORSE
 3 CREEK, THEN ALONG THE CENTER OF HORSE CREEK TO APE HOLE CREEK, THEN
 4 ALONG THE CENTER OF APE HOLE CREEK TO THE POCOMOKE SOUND AND THE
 5 MARYLAND/VIRGINIA STATE LINE AND CONTINUING IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION
 6 AND TO ITS POINT OF BEGINNING.

7 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on the effective date of this
 8 Act, through 12:00 noon on the second business day following the effective date of this Act,
 9 the candidate filing deadline will be re–opened for a candidate for the office of member of
 10 the Somerset County Board of Education who will be elected at the general election to be
 11 held in November 2022. Notwithstanding § 5–501 of the Election Law Article of the
 12 Annotated Code of Maryland, an individual who files for the office of member of the
 13 Somerset County Board of Education may not withdraw the individual’s candidacy.

14 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
 15 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has
 16 been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to
 17 each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is
 18 enacted.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.