

# HOUSE BILL 538

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By: **Delegate Rosenberg**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Voters' Rights Protection Act of 2022**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the days on which early voting centers are open before  
4 regularly scheduled primary and general elections; and generally relating to early  
5 voting.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article – Election Law  
8 Section 10–301.1(d)  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

13 **Article – Election Law**

14 10–301.1.

15 (d) Each early voting center shall be open for voting as follows:

16 (1) beginning the second Thursday before a primary or general election  
17 through the [Thursday] **SUNDAY** before the election; and

18 (2) during the hours between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. each early voting day.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
20 January 1, 2023.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

