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Senate Bill 500

(Senator Simonaire)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Ways and Means

Anne Arundel County - Republican Party Central Committee - Elections

This emergency bill reduces – from three to two – the number of members elected to the Anne Arundel County Republican Party Central Committee from each councilmanic district of Anne Arundel County.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill does not directly affect State finances.

Local Effect: The bill is not expected to directly affect Anne Arundel County finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Each political party must have a State central committee that is the governing body of the political party and may be composed of the members of the central committees of the counties during their terms in office. A principal political party must elect the members of a county central committee at a primary election. Except as otherwise provided under county-specific provisions for certain counties (including Anne Arundel County), the central committee for a county must consist of the number of members determined by the party's constitution.

For the Anne Arundel County Republican Party Central Committee, statute establishes that three members are elected to the central committee from each councilmanic district of Anne Arundel County and one member is elected from the county at large.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: HB 683 (Delegate Saab, *et al.*) - Ways and Means.

Information Source(s): State Board of Elections; Anne Arundel County; Department of Legislative Services

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