

**January 21, 2025**

**Testimony on HB 274**  
**Election Law – Local Boards of Elections – Election Plan Requirements**  
**Ways & Means**

**Position:** Favorable

Common Cause Maryland is in support of HB 274, which simply alters the due date for local governments to submit their election plans to the State Administrator from 6 to 7 months pre-primary election. This extra month will allow more time for closer evaluation of election plans by the State Board and more opportunity for the public to give their input before final approval.

For these reasons, we request a favorable report.