HB0655/783724/1

BY: Delegate Wilkins

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 655, AS AMENDED

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In line 2 of the bill, strike "Government" and substitute "Elections"; in the same line, strike "Elections" and substitute "and County Boards of Education"; in line 3, after "commissioner" insert "or members of certain county boards of education"; in line 5, after "commissioner" insert "and county boards of education"; and after line 5, insert:

"BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

<u>Article – Education</u>

Section 3–114(h), 3–301(d), 3–4A–01(b), 3–601(d)(1), 3–901(f)(2), 3–10A–01(b), and 3–1101(e)(2)

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AMENDMENT NO. 2

After line 12 of the bill, insert:

"Article – Education

3–114.

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- (h) (1) [The] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE election of the county boards shall be held as provided in Subtitles 2 through 14 of this title and the Election Law Article.
- (2) IN COUNTIES IN WHICH MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD ARE ELECTED FROM INDIVIDUAL DISTRICTS, THE ELECTION OF A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY BOARD TO REPRESENT A SPECIFIC DISTRICT SHALL BE DECIDED BY A PLURALITY OF THE VOTES CAST WITHIN THAT DISTRICT.

<u>3–301.</u>

- (a) The Calvert County Board consists of five voting members and one nonvoting student member.
 - (d) Of the five voting members of the county board:
- (1) One shall be elected from each of the three county commissioner districts BY A PLURALITY OF THE VOTES CAST WITHIN THAT DISTRICT; and
 - (2) Two shall be elected from the county at large.

3-4A-01.

- (a) The Cecil County Board consists of six members as follows:
- (1) One voting member elected from each of the five commissioner districts; and
 - (2) One nonvoting student member.
 - (b) The five voting members of the county board shall be elected [at]:
- (1) AT a general election as required by subsection (c) of this section;
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(2) BY A PLURALITY OF THE VOTES CAST WITHIN EACH RESPECTIVE COMMISSIONER DISTRICT.

3–601.

- (b) The Garrett County Board consists of:
 - (1) One elected member from each county commissioner district;
 - (2) Two elected members from the county at large; and
 - (3) One nonvoting student member.
- (d) (1) Elected members of the board shall be elected [at]:
- (I) AT a general election as required by subsection (e) of this section; AND
- (II) FOR THE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM EACH COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT, BY A PLURALITY OF THE VOTES CAST WITHIN THAT COMMISSIONER DISTRICT.

3–901.

- (b) The Montgomery County Board consists of:
- (1) <u>5 elected members, each of whom resides in a different board of education district;</u>
 - (2) 2 elected members who may reside anywhere in the county; and
 - (3) 1 student member.

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- (f) (2) (I) [Elected] THE ELECTED members of the county board WHO MAY RESIDE ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTY shall be elected by the voters of the entire county.
- (II) THE ELECTED MEMBERS FROM EACH OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICTS SHALL BE ELECTED BY A PLURALITY OF THE VOTES CAST WITHIN THAT BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT.

3–10A–01.

- (a) The Queen Anne's County Board consists of:
 - (1) Five voting, nonpartisan, elected members; and
- (2) One nonvoting student representative from each public high school in the county.
- (b) The five voting, nonpartisan, elected members shall be elected [by the voters of the entire county] at a general election in accordance with subsection (c) of this section AS FOLLOWS:
- (1) FOR THE MEMBER ELECTED FROM THE COUNTY AT LARGE, BY THE VOTERS OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY; AND
- (2) FOR THE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM EACH OF THE FOUR COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS, BY A PLURALITY OF THE VOTES CAST WITHIN THAT DISTRICT.
- (c) (1) (i) One voting member shall reside in and be elected from each of the four county commissioner districts; and

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(ii) One member shall reside in the county and be elected from the county at large.

<u>3–1101.</u>

- (e) (1) The St. Mary's County Board consists of five voting members who shall be elected as follows:
 - (i) One member shall be elected from the county at large; and
- (ii) One member shall be elected from each of the four commissioner districts.
 - (2) Voting members of the county board shall be elected:
 - (i) At a general election as required by this section; and
- (ii) 1. [On] FOR THE MEMBER ELECTED FROM THE COUNTY AT LARGE, ON a general countywide ticket; AND
- 2. FOR THE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM EACH OF THE FOUR COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS, BY A PLURALITY OF THE VOTES CAST WITHIN THAT DISTRICT.".

On page 6 of the Committee on Ways and Means Amendments (HB0655/795968/1), in line 7 of Amendment No. 2, after "for" insert "county boards of education in which members are elected from individual districts and"; and in line 9, after "of" insert "an elected member of a county board of education who is elected from an individual district or".