# HOUSE BILL 16

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#### By: **Delegate Smigiel** Requested: October 17, 2013

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## A BILL ENTITLED

#### 1 AN ACT concerning

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### Cecil County – Board of Elections – Membership

- FOR the purpose of altering the number of regular members of the Cecil County Board
  of Elections; requiring the members of the local board to be of certain political
  parties; requiring that a vacancy on the local board be filled in a certain
  manner; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the
  membership of the Cecil County Board of Elections.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 Article Election Law
- 10 Section 2–201(l)
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

# 13SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF14MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

- 15 Article Election Law
- 16 2–201.

(1) (1) In Allegany County, Baltimore City, Caroline County, CECIL
COUNTY, Charles County, Frederick County, Harford County, Somerset County,
Washington County, Wicomico County, and Worcester County, the local board consists
of five regular members.

21 (2) Three regular members shall be of the majority party, and two 22 regular members shall be of the principal minority party.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 (3) (i) If a vacancy occurs on the local board, the Governor shall 2 appoint an eligible person from the same political party as the predecessor member to 3 fill the vacancy in accordance with subsection (g) of this section for the remainder of 4 the unexpired term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

5 (ii) An appointment made while the Senate of Maryland is not 6 in session shall be considered temporary until the appointee is confirmed by the 7 Senate.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 9 June 1, 2015.