

A002-0506

10 AN ACT CONCERNING

20 **Election Law – Polling on College Campuses**

30 FOR the purpose of requiring a local board of elections to establish, under certain
40 conditions , a separate precinct for voting on election day to serve individuals associated
50 with certain institutions of higher education; and generally relating to the establishment
60 of precinct for voting on college campuses.

70 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
80 Article - Election Law
90 Section 2-303(a)
100 Annotated Code of Maryland
110 (2003 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

120 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE MARYLAND STUDENT LEGISLATURE,
130 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

140 **Article - Election Law**

150 2-303.

160 (a) (1) As SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SECTION, AS it deems
170 it expedient for the convenience of voters, a local board may:

180 (1) (I) create and alter the boundaries for precincts in the county;

190 (2) (II) designate the location for polling places in any election
200 district, ward, or precinct in the county; and

210 (3) (III) combine or abolish precincts.

220 (2) (I) A LOCAL BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH A SEPARATE
230 PRECINCT TO SPECIFICALLY SERVE A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE INSTITUTION
240 OF HIGHER EDUCATION IF THE LOCAL BOARD DETERMINES THAT AT
250 AT LEAST 500 STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF WHO ATTEND OR WORK AT
260 THE INSTITUTION ARE REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE PRECINCT IN WHICH
270 THE INSTITUTION IS LOCATED.

280 (II) IF, UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH,
290 A POLLING PLACE IS ESTABLISHED AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER
300 EDUCATION THAT RECEIVES STATE FUNDS, THAT INSTITUTION SHALL
310 PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE LOCAL BOARD IN RECRUITING ELECTION
320 JUDGES TO STAFF THE POLLING PLACE.

330 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1,
340 2006.

350 Mandates:
360 Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
370 Delegate Sheila E. Hixson, Chair of the House Ways & Means
380 Committee
390 Delegate Justin D. Ross
400 Senator John A. Giannetti, Jr.

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