

(House Bill 1876)

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County - Democratic Party Central Committee
MC 202-78

FOR the purpose of increasing the accountability of Democratic party officials to their constituents in Montgomery County by providing that certain members of the Democratic central committee be elected from legislative districts and the remainder be elected at large; providing that any reference to the Democratic Central Committee for Montgomery County or any portion thereof means the entire membership of the Montgomery County Democratic Central Committee; relating generally to the Democratic Central Committee in Montgomery County; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 33 - Election Code
Section 11-2(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 33 - Election Code

11-2.

(h) In Montgomery County, there [shall be] ARE 19 members of the party central committees for the county. For [the Democratic committee, the members shall be elected at large. For the Republican] EACH committee, two members [shall be] ARE elected from each of the legislative districts that lie wholly within Montgomery County[,] AND one member [shall be] IS elected from the Montgomery County part of each legislative district which is partially within Montgomery County[, the]. THE remainder shall be elected at large, and any vacancy in a seat held initially by a member elected from a legislative district shall be filled by a person residing in that district. ~~FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, THE MEMBERS OF THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE ELECTED FROM A DISTRICT DO NOT COMPRISE A SEPARATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF FILLING A VACANCY IN ANY OFFICE. ANY REFERENCE TO THE DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY OR ANY PORTION THEREOF MEANS THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE, AND IN NO EVENT DO THE MEMEERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ELECTED FROM A DISTRICT COMPRISE A SEPARATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act