

(House Bill 437)

AN ACT concerning

Election Code - Powers of Boards

FOR the purpose of allowing local election boards to make certain changes in the location of polling places, and to combine or abolish precincts; prohibiting the boards from making certain changes after a certain date, except in emergencies; requiring the boards to notify voters of certain changes within a certain time and in certain ways; applying certain existing provisions of law to wards; clarifying language and generally relating to the powers and duties of local boards of election.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 33 - Election Code
Section 2-12(a), (b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 2-12(a), (b) and (c) of Article 33 - Election Code, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 33 - Election Code

2-12.

(a) The boards, whenever they deem it to be expedient for the convenience of the voters, may:

(1) Subdivide into precincts any election district in their respective counties or ward in Baltimore City, as the case may be;

(2) Subdivide any election precinct in [said] THE counties or [said city] BALTIMORE CITY, as the case may be;

(3) Change the boundaries of any election precinct in [said] THE counties or [said city] BALTIMORE CITY, as the case may be;

(4) Designate [such additional] NEW polling places in any such election district, WARD, or precinct as they may deem necessary[.], OR CHANGE THE LOCATION OF AN EXISTING POLLING PLACE;

(5) COMBINE OR ABOLISH PRECINCTS AS MAY BE