principal political party; providing that the appointment of the State Administrator of Elections by the State Board is subject to the advice and consent of the Senate of Maryland; clarifying the authority of the State Board to remove the State Administrator; providing that the deputy administrator shall serve as the State Administrator for a certain period under certain circumstances; providing that the State Administrator is authorized to continue to serve until a successor is appointed and confirmed by the Senate of Maryland under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the appointment of the members of the State Board of Elections and the authority of the State Board over the State Administrator.

## BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article Election Law

Section 2 101, 2 103, and 2 107 to be under the amended title "Title 2. State Elections Office, State Elections Advisory Committee, and Local Boards of Election" and the amended subtitle "Subtitle 1. State Elections Office and State Elections Advisory Committee"

Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law Section 2–102 and 2–103

Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Volume and 2004 Supplement)

## BY adding to

Article Election Law

Section 2-101.1, 2-102, and 2-107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003-Volume and 2004-Supplement)

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

## Article - Election Law

Title 2. [Powers and Duties of the State] STATE ELECTIONS OFFICE, STATE ELECTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, and Local Boards OF ELECTION.

Subtitle 1. [State Board] STATE ELECTIONS OFFICE AND STATE ELECTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

2-101.

(a) There is a State {Board}—OFFICE of Elections {consisting of five members}.