F. The authority granted to impose a transfer tax under this section shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [1995] 2000.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1994.

Approved May 2, 1994.

## **CHAPTER 378**

(House Bill 688)

AN ACT concerning

## St. Mary's County - Elected Board of Education - Straw Poll

FOR the purpose of requiring that at the general election held in November, 1994, a question shall be placed on the ballot in St. Mary's County to canvass the opinion of the voters on having an elected board of education; providing that the results of the straw poll shall have no binding or legal effect; requiring the Board of Supervisors of Elections of St. Mary's County to take certain actions; and generally relating to a straw poll of the voters of St. Mary's County concerning whether the County shall have an elected board of education.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That a straw poll shall be conducted in St. Mary's County at the general election to be held in November, 1994, to canvass the opinion of the voters on whether St. Mary's County should have an elected board of education. The Board of Supervisors of Elections of St. Mary's County shall do those things necessary and proper to provide for and hold the straw poll herein required. There shall be printed on the ballot to be used at the election the title "Elected County Board of Education – Straw Poll" and under the title, on separate lines, the words "For establishing an elected board of education in place of the appointed board in St. Mary's County" and the words "Against establishing an elected board of education in place of the appointed board in St. Mary's County", whereby a voter may select one but not both of the two options. The straw poll required by this Act is intended to canvass the opinion of the voters of St. Mary's County and the results shall have no binding or legal effect.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, for the sole purpose of providing for the straw poll herein required, this Act shall take effect July 1, 1994. Approved May 2, 1994.