

Chapter 310

(Senate Bill 729)

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – County Commissioners – Method of Election

FOR the purpose of altering the manner in which the County Commissioners of Calvert County are elected beginning with a certain general election; requiring that certain county commissioners be residents of and represent certain election districts; requiring that certain other county commissioners be residents of the county and represent the county at large; requiring that each candidate for the office of county commissioner specify when filing a certificate of candidacy certain information; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the method of electing the County Commissioners of Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Calvert County
Section 2–102
Article 5 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2002 Edition and July 2011 Supplement, as amended)

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

Article 5 – Calvert County

2–102.

(A) Beginning with the general election to be held in Calvert County in November, 1978, five County Commissioners shall be elected by countywide vote.

(B) **[One] BEGINNING WITH THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CALVERT COUNTY IN NOVEMBER 2014:**

(1) **ONE COUNTY COMMISSIONER** shall be a resident of **AND SHALL REPRESENT** the first election district[,] **OF THE COUNTY;**

(2) **[one] ONE COUNTY COMMISSIONER SHALL BE** a resident of **AND SHALL REPRESENT** the second election district[,] **OF THE COUNTY;**

(3) [and one] **ONE COUNTY COMMISSIONER SHALL BE** a resident of **AND SHALL REPRESENT** the third election district of the county[. Of the remaining candidates, the two receiving the highest number of votes shall be selected]; **AND**

(4) **TWO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL BE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY AND SHALL REPRESENT THE COUNTY AT LARGE.**

(C) **EACH CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER SHALL SPECIFY AT THE TIME OF FILING A CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY WHETHER THE CANDIDATE IS SEEKING TO REPRESENT THE DISTRICT IN WHICH THE CANDIDATE RESIDES OR TO REPRESENT THE COUNTY AT LARGE.**

(D) Commissioners who are elected and qualify shall take office the third Tuesday of December following election.

(E) Each commissioner shall hold office for four years or until a successor is elected and qualified.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2013.

Approved by the Governor, May 2, 2013.