

HOUSE BILL 592

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Election Law – Reporting of Precinct Results**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring a local board of canvassers to prepare a statement of
4 election results by precinct that includes all votes cast by voters registered in
5 each precinct who voted ~~provisionally, absentee, and~~ early on certain voting
6 machines; requiring the State Board of Elections to prepare a report that
7 includes election results by precinct of all votes cast by voters registered in each
8 precinct who voted ~~provisionally, absentee, and~~ early on certain voting
9 machines; and generally relating to the reporting of election results.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article – Election Law
12 Section 11–402
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Election Law**

18 11–402.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (a) Unless otherwise provided by the Maryland Constitution, and except as
2 provided in subsection (b) of this section, each board of canvassers shall prepare a
3 statement of election results by precinct for each candidate or question voted on at the
4 election and declare:

5 (1) who is elected or nominated for office:

6 (i) in county government; or

7 (ii) for any other office voted for only within that county, if the
8 certificate of candidacy for that office was issued by the local board; and

9 (2) whether or not a question is adopted or approved.

10 (b) The statement prepared by the board of canvassers under this section:

11 (1) may not report the absentee vote separately by precinct; AND

12 (2) **SHALL REPORT ELECTION RESULTS BY PRECINCT FOR EACH**
13 **CANDIDATE OR QUESTION VOTED ON AT THE ELECTION THAT INCLUDE ALL**
14 **VOTES CAST BY VOTERS REGISTERED IN EACH PRECINCT WHO VOTED**
15 **PROVISIONALLY, ABSENTEE, AND EARLY ON DIRECT RECORDING ELECTRONIC**
16 **VOTING MACHINES.**

17 (c) Each local board shall publish a sufficient number of copies of the
18 complete election results, tabulated by precinct, and shall make the copies available to
19 the public at cost.

20 (d) (1) In addition to the statement of election results specified under
21 subsection (a) of this section, the State Board shall make available in an electronic
22 format a report of election results for each candidate or question voted on at the
23 election:

24 (i) by precinct, **INCLUDING ALL VOTES CAST BY VOTERS**
25 **REGISTERED IN EACH PRECINCT WHO VOTED PROVISIONALLY, ABSENTEE, AND**
26 **EARLY ON DIRECT RECORDING ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES;**

27 (ii) by State legislative district, including any subdistrict;

28 (iii) by county legislative district; and

29 (iv) for each county as a whole.

30 (2) The State Board may make the report specified under paragraph
31 (1) of this subsection available to the public at cost.

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

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.