SENATE BILL 108

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SB 43/12 – EHE

By: **Senator Simonaire**
Introduced and read first time: January 14, 2013
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1   AN ACT concerning

2   **Anne Arundel County Board of Education – Selection of Members – Straw**
3   **Ballot**

4   FOR the purpose of requiring that a question be placed on the ballot in Anne Arundel
5   County at the November general election of 2014 to determine the sense of the
6   voters of the County on the issue of changing the method of selecting members
7   of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education; providing for the carrying out
8   of the straw ballot; and generally relating to the holding of a straw ballot in
9   Anne Arundel County.

10   SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
11   MARYLAND, That under the provisions of the Election Law Article, the Anne Arundel
12   County Board of Elections, in consultation with the State Board of Elections, shall
13   prepare and include on the ballot for the November general election of 2014 the
14   following question:

15   "Do you favor changing the method of selection of the members of the Anne
16   Arundel County Board of Education from appointment by the Governor (subject to
17   each member's approval or rejection or retention or removal by the voters of the
18   County at a subsequent election) to have instead a direct election by the voters of
19   Anne Arundel County?"

20   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Anne Arundel
21   County Board of Elections and the County Council of Anne Arundel County shall do
22   those things necessary and proper to place this question on the ballot prepared for the
23   November general election of 2014, so that each participating voter in the County may
24   have the opportunity to cast a vote on the question. The question shall be proposed,
25   presented, tallied, and reported in general accordance with the provisions of the
26   Election Law Article. The vote on this question is advisory only.

EXPLANATION: **CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.**
        [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

1   SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2   July 1, 2013.