

HB1001/303128/1

BY: Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1001
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, after “**Places**” insert “, **Early Voting Centers, and Counting Centers**”; in line 5, after “of” insert “**the State Administrator, the Deputy State Administrator, or**”; in lines 6 and 7, strike “a local election director has” and substitute “certain individuals have”; in line 9, strike “certain”; in line 14, after “centers” insert “altering the persons that may designate a registered voter as an observer at each counting center”; in line 15, strike “individuals” and substitute “persons”; in line 16, strike “and” and substitute a comma; in the same line, after “centers” insert “, and counting centers”; in line 19, strike the first “and” and substitute a comma; and in the same line, after “10-311” insert “, and 11-301(a-1)(2)”.

On page 2, after line 3, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 11-301(a-1)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 9, after “place” insert “, **THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR, THE DEPUTY STATE ADMINISTRATOR,**”; in line 11, after “judge” insert “, **THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR, THE DEPUTY STATE ADMINISTRATOR,**”; and in line 17, after “PLACE,” insert “**THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR, THE DEPUTY STATE ADMINISTRATOR, OR**”.

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On page 3, in line 5, strike “BOARD EMPLOYEE” and substitute “ELECTION DIRECTOR”.

On page 5, after line 18, insert:

“11-301.

(a-1) (1) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, a board of canvassers and the staff of a local board may be observed as they complete each part of the canvass by authorized observers designated under paragraph (2) of this subsection and any other individuals who wish to be present.

(2) The following [individuals or entities] PERSONS have the right to designate a registered voter as an observer at each counting center:

(i) a candidate FOR ANY COUNTY WHERE THE CANDIDATE IS INCLUDED ON THE BALLOT;

(ii) a political party; [and]

(iii) [any other group of voters supporting or opposing a candidate, principle, or proposition on the ballot] A POLITICAL COMMITTEE; AND

(IV) A PERSON REQUIRED TO FILE REPORTS UNDER § 13-306 OR § 13-307 OF THIS ARTICLE.”.