

LEGISLATIVE VACANCY REFORM

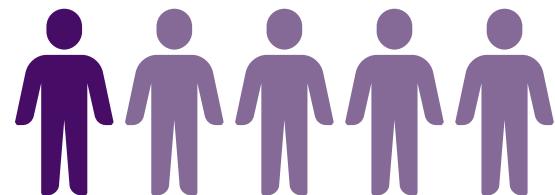
Voters Have The Power to Choose.

THE PROBLEM: POLITICIANS CHOOSE FOR US

Party leaders choose replacements when seats open in the state legislature.

- A handful of insiders on the committee choose who represents thousands of residents.
- Appointees can serve for years before an election.

1 in 5 Maryland legislators
has been appointed NOT elected by voters.



INTENDED AS TEMPORARY,
APPOINTMENTS LEAD TO LONG UN-ELECTED TERMS
REFORM BILLS HAVE FAILED, TAKING POWER AWAY FROM THE PEOPLE.

THE REFORM: SPECIAL ELECTIONS



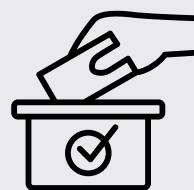
VACANT SEAT

A seat in the General Assembly becomes open.



TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT

For continuity only, the chair is filled by appointment.



SPECIAL ELECTION

Voters, not committees, choose the replacement.



LET'S MOVE MARYLAND FORWARD.

Maryland Forward Party supports legislative vacancy reform to ensure every representative is chosen by the voters.

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