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By: **Delegate Holmes** Introduced and read first time: January 17, 2020 Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Real Property – Homeowners Associations – Number of Declarant Votes

- FOR the purpose of altering the number of votes to which a declarant is entitled when
 voting on a homeowners association matter before and after any lot that may be part
 of the development is subdivided and recorded under certain circumstances; and
 generally relating to declarant votes in homeowners associations.
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 8 Article Real Property
- 9 Section 11B–111.7
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

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Article – Real Property

15 11B–111.7.

16 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law or any provision in the 17 declaration, bylaws, rules, deeds, agreements, or recorded covenants or restrictions of a 18 homeowners association, beginning on the date on which [all lots] ANY LOT that may be 19 part of the development [have] HAS been subdivided and recorded in the land records of 20 the county in which the homeowners association is located, the declarant, when voting on 21 a homeowners association matter, shall be entitled to one vote per lot that:

(1) Has been subdivided and recorded in the land records of the county inwhich the homeowners association is located; and



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(2) Has not been sold to members of the public.

2 (b) Before the date on which [all lots] ANY LOT that may be part of the 3 development [have] HAS been subdivided and recorded in the land records of the county in 4 which the homeowners association is located, the declarant, when voting on a homeowners 5 association matter, shall be entitled to the number of votes set forth in the governing 6 documents of the homeowners association.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 8 October 1, 2020.