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## **ACTION ALERT – April 5, 2017**

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### **LWVMD supports allowing voters to register and vote on Election Day**

This has proved to be one of the best ways to engage new voters in the election process. Nearly 20,000 Marylanders used Same-Day Registration during the early voting period to register to vote for the first time or update their registration in 2016.

Election-Day Registration will expand upon those gains while improving voter turnout. In 2014, the 16 states with Election Day Registration had 11% higher turnout rate than the states without it.

**SB 423 - Elective Franchise - Registration and Voting at Polling Place** a constitutional amendment, has passed the Senate. Well-meaning amendment language is proposed in the House that could end up killing the bill. It addresses the specifics of implementation of Same Day Registration which we believe would be better addressed by legislation enacted after the Constitutional Amendment is passed.

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**Please call or e-mail your representatives in the  
House of Delegates **TODAY****

(click [mdelect.net](http://mdelect.net) to find out who they are and their contact info)

**Urge them to **Pass SB 423 Without Amendments!****