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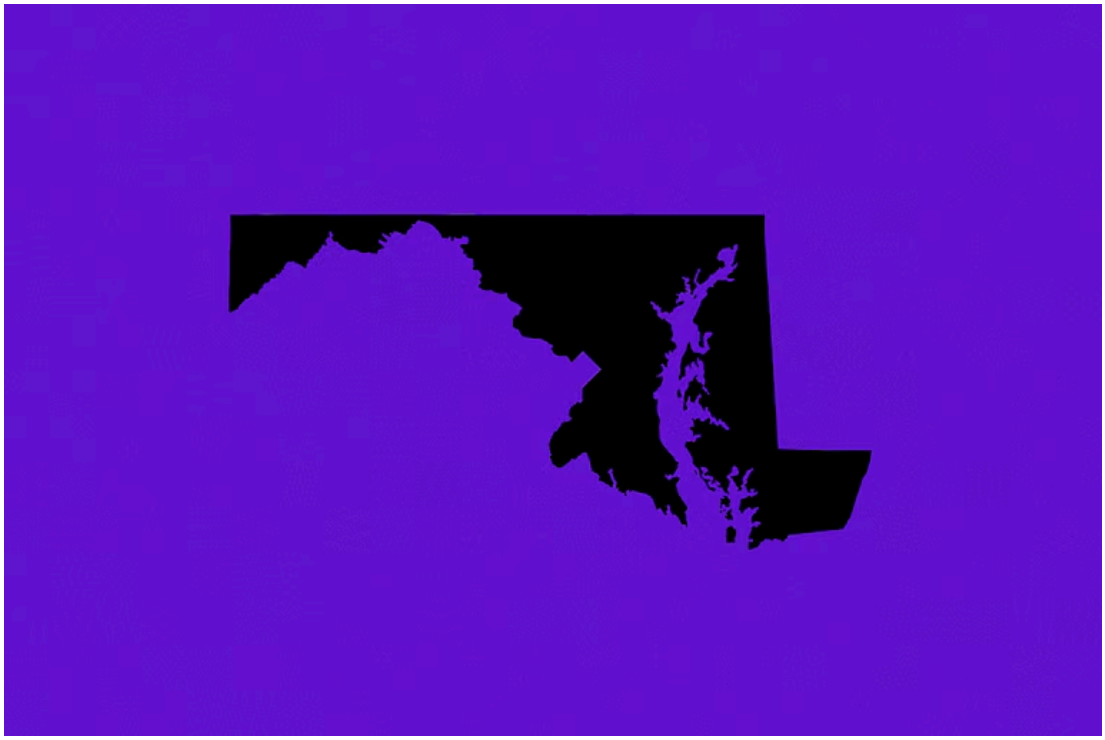

What's the job: One of 188 members of Maryland's General Assembly, split between the House of Delegates and the Senate. Responsible for introducing and voting on legislation, approving state spending and providing oversight of Maryland government operations. Elected to a four-year term.

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Cheryl E. Pasteur (D)

Democratic

Name: Cheryl E. Pasteur

Age: 77

Personal: Lifelong educator and life member of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Baltimore.

Education: Bachelor's degree, English education, University of Maryland, College Park; master's degree, urban education, Morgan State University.

Experience: Member, Maryland House of Delegates, District 11A, (2023-present); former vice chair, Baltimore County School Board; teacher, Baltimore County Public Schools (1988-2012).

Questionnaire

Q: Maryland's state government is facing a structural deficit in future years. Please describe how you would approach closing the gap. Be specific about any spending cuts or revenue increases you propose.

A: A $1.5 billion structural deficit was cut for the fiscal 2027 budget. To keep from killing the Blueprint for Maryland's Future education plan, significant changes to the high-cost parts of the blueprint must be implemented and regulated; we might look at forming new tax brackets and continue to consider how gaming, racing, and cannabis sales can be used.

Q: What do you consider the 3 most pressing issues facing Maryland?

A: Lowering the cost of living: affordable housing; utility costs; education (blueprint and childcare costs); healthcare costs.

Q: What would you do to lower the cost of living for Maryland residents?

A: Find creative ways and places to build affordable homes; creating housing, transportation hubs; continue to find ways to cut utility costs; work with pharmaceutical companies and health insurers to shave costs, particularly for the poor and elderly.

Q: The cost of implementing the Blueprint for Maryland's Future education plan will exceed the money available in the Blueprint's fund over the next few years. Should the state raise new revenue for the programs, or should the programs be rolled back or adjusted?

A: I have scrutinized the blueprint and feel significant adjustments can be made to lower the cost while maintaining the integrity of the instructional components. I am hopeful it will be reviewed soon.

Q: Besides an election, how do you want constituents to review your job performance?

A: You may go to Maryland General Assembly to see my bills, sponsored and co-sponsored, or request my End of the Session letter @ cheryl.pasteur@house.maryland.gov for a copy.

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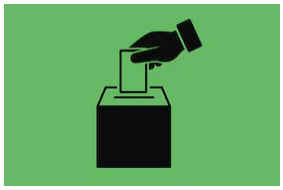

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