

**LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 46**

Baltimore City precincts 1-6, Ward 6; precincts 1-3, 9-17, Ward 7; precincts 1-3, 3A, 4, 5, 5A, 5B, 6-24, 24A, 25-33, Ward 26.

**LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 47**

Baltimore City Wards 1-3; precinct 1, Ward 4; precincts 8-14, Ward 6; precincts 4-8, Ward 19; and Wards 21-24.

**A HISTORY OF THE 1972 SESSION OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The General Assembly met in regular session on January 12, 1972 and adjourned on April 10, 1972.

A total of 2,485 bills was introduced in 1972, of which 964 were Senate bills and 1,521 were House bills. Of the 964 Senate bills, 329 were passed by both Houses; of this latter number, 315 were signed by the Governor and 14 were vetoed. Of the 1,521 House bills introduced, 451 were passed by both Houses, and of this latter number, 420 were signed by the Governor and 31 were vetoed.

Joint Resolutions introduced totaled 185, 83 in the Senate and 102 in the House. Of these, 29 Senate Joint Resolutions and 23 House Joint Resolutions were passed by both Houses. Twenty-eight of the 29 Senate Joint Resolutions were signed by the Governor and all 23 House Joint Resolutions were signed.

One legislative districting and apportionment order became effective during the 1972 session and this became Chapter 7.

The budget bill enacted at this session for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973, amounted to \$2,176,326,183. The bond construction bill passed was for a total of \$95,430,500.

Among the more important laws enacted were: A bill to regulate and control hand guns, a modified "no-fault" insurance bill, a bill increasing the rate of tax on beer and wine, a farm assessment bill relating to taxes on land used for agricultural purposes, a bill increasing from 9 to 10 the number of Judges of the Court of Special Appeals and increasing the jurisdiction of the Court, a bill creating the Department of Agriculture, a bill limiting the amount a landlord may require for security deposits and making provision for the holding of these deposits, a Constitutional Amendment to modify the prohibition against authorization of a lottery and the bill authorizing a lottery operated by and for the benefit of the State, and a bill creating the Maryland Sports Complex Authority.

Several proposals were made to amend the Constitution of Maryland. Among them was a proposal to permit the General Assembly to reduce items in the Judiciary budget, and another to provide that the annual tax required to pay principal and interest on the State debt authorized by the General Assembly will not be levied if sufficient funds for the debt are appropriated in the annual State budget.

**A HISTORY OF THE 1973 SESSION OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The General Assembly met in regular session on January 10, 1973 and adjourned on April 9, 1973.

A total of 2,880 bills was introduced, of which 1,230 were Senate bills and 1,650 were House bills. Of the 1,230 Senate bills, 432 were passed by both Houses; of this latter number, 409 were signed by the