

Replacement Volume and 1969 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitle "Registration of Voters—How and by Whom Conducted," to permit persons filing for a temporary certificate of registration to vote at the Board of Election Supervisors by means of an absentee ballot PRECINCT AS THOUGH HIS ORIGINAL REGISTRATION FORM WERE PRESENT.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 3-15(a) AND (C) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume and 1969 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitle "Registration of Voters—How and by Whom Conducted," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

3-15(a).

If at any election, it shall appear that the original registration form of any person presenting himself as a voter is not among the cards constituting the precinct register for use on election day, such person may apply to the board, or a majority of its members on forms to be provided by the board, for a certificate entitling him to cast his ballot in spite of the absence of such original registration form. Upon receipt of any application of such a certificate, accompanied by proof of the identity of the applicant, a majority of the board shall inspect the duplicate registration forms retained in the office of the board, and if inspection discloses that the applicant is a duly registered voter, a majority of the board shall make reasonable effort to locate the applicant's original registration form. If such original form is not found and if a majority of the board shall be satisfied that its absence is not due to fraud or malfeasance, the board or a majority of its members shall issue its certificate ~~†, a copy of which shall be retained by the board~~ CERTIFICATION, to the judges of the precinct in which the applicant is found to be a registered voter~~†~~. The certificate shall be marked "Temporary Certificate of Registration," shall be in the form provided by subsection (c) of this section, and shall be sufficient authority to permit the voter to cast his ballot ~~†in his precinct†~~ by means of an absentee ballot at the board as though his original registration form were present. ~~†The certificate, when presented to~~ COMPLETED BY the judges shall be ~~retained~~ RETAINED by the judges and returned to the board at the time prescribed for the return of the original registration forms.~~†~~

(C) FORM OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE.—THE FORM OF THE TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

..... ELECTION

DATE:

TO THE JUDGES OF ELECTIONS
OF THE PRECINCT WARD OR
ELECTION DISTRICT.

UPON THE APPLICATION OF AND PURSUANT
TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 3-15, ARTICLE 33 OF THE
PUBLIC GENERAL LAWS OF MARYLAND, [WE, THE UNDER-