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Be It Enacted by the County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, that—

SEC. 1. Section 9-17, Chapter 9, title "Elections," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

9-17. Same—Notification of Council and County Executive; public notice; holding.

The Board of Election Supervisors shall promptly notify the Council and the County Executive of any petition so filed with it and whether or not any petition so filed is a valid petition requiring referendum to be held under the Charter. If notified that the petition so filed is a valid petition requiring referendum to be held under the Charter, the County Executive shall give public notice, in such manner as he shall determine, that the Act unless it is emergency legislation is without force and effect pending the holding of the referendum thereon. Emergency legislation shall remain in force from the date it shall become law notwithstanding the filing of a petition for referendum, but shall stand repealed thirty days after rejection by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon. Such referendum shall be held at the next regular or special election (whichever first occurs) in the County for the election of any State or federal officer, or at a special election to be held at such time as the County Executive may prescribe. The Board shall conduct any such referendum election and shall use the same voting machines or ballots or both as used by it generally for election purposes in the County.

SEC. 2. Effective date.

This Act shall take effect on December 7, 1970.

CHAPTER 17

(BILL NO. 40-70)

AN ACT to amend Chapter 20, title "Public Welfare," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, Section 20-2, title "Same—Administration; use of private agencies, etc.," and Section 20-3, title "Private welfare agencies—Official designated by Council to serve, etc.," to authorize the County Executive to utilize the services of existing private welfare agencies and to designate the official to serve as a member of the agency's managing board.