

designated forms of interest in or control of property as a necessity or qualification for the right to vote, to participate in elections, or to hold office in the municipal corporation; PROVIDING FOR CONTINUATION OF CERTAIN PRESENTLY EXISTING RIGHTS; and repealing certain other provisions in conflict here with.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 46 be and it is hereby added to Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Corporations—Municipal," subtitle "Home Rule," to follow immediately after Section 45 thereof, to be under the new subheading "Property Qualifications," and to read as follows:

46. *Property Qualifications*

A municipal corporation subject to Article 11E of the Constitution, whether through its municipal charter or otherwise, shall not impose or continue any requirement, distinction, or provision in or connected with municipal elections, the right to vote therein, or the right to hold municipal office, which in any way requires the ownership of property, any property-ownership interest, or any form of control of property as a necessity or qualification for the right to vote, to participate in elections, or to hold office, in the municipal corporation. THIS SECTION SHALL NOT ACT TO DEPRIVE ANY PERSON OF EXISTING RIGHTS TO PARTICIPATE IN ELECTIONS, TO HOLD PUBLIC OFFICE, OR TO VOTE, WHICH HE PRESENTLY HAS UNDER MUNICIPAL CHARTERS IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all laws or parts of laws, including the charters and the ordinances, resolutions, and other actions of municipal corporations subject to Article 11E of the Constitution which are in conflict with provisions of this Act, are repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1972.

Approved April 26, 1972.

CHAPTER 79
(Senate Bill 59)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 3-402.1 and subsection (c) of Section 6-102 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Vehicle Laws," subtitles, RESPECTIVELY "Certificates of Title and Registration of Vehicles," and "Drivers' Licenses," SUBHEADINGS RESPECTIVELY "PART IV—REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES" AND "PART I—ISSUANCE OF LICENSES, EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL" to permit certain nonresident students to be exempt from registration and licensing requirements applicable to vehicles under this Article.