

amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution

Article XII – Public Works

Section 3

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, (Three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses concurring), That it be proposed that the Maryland Constitution read as follows:

Article XII – Public Works

3.

(A) The Board of Public Works is hereby authorized, subject to such regulations and conditions as the General Assembly may from time to time prescribe, to sell the State's interest in all works of Internal Improvement, whether as a stockholder or a creditor, and also the State's interest in any banking corporation, receiving in payment the bonds and registered debt now owing by the State, equal in amount to the price obtained for the State's said interest.

(B) THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MAY NOT APPROVE THE SALE, LEASE, TRANSFER, EXCHANGE, GRANT, OR OTHER PERMANENT DISPOSITION OF ANY STATE-OWNED OR STATE-DESIGNATED OUTDOOR RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, CONSERVATION, PRESERVATION, FOREST, OR PARK LAND WITHOUT THE EXPRESS APPROVAL OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR OF A COMMITTEE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DESIGNATES BY STATUTE, RESOLUTION, OR RULE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the General Assembly determines that the amendment to the Maryland Constitution proposed by this Act affects multiple jurisdictions and that the provisions of Article XIV, § 1 of the Maryland Constitution concerning local approval of constitutional amendments do not apply.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the foregoing section proposed as an amendment to the Maryland Constitution shall be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of this State at the next general election to be held in November, 2006 for their adoption or rejection in pursuance of directions contained in Article XIV of the Maryland Constitution. At that general election, the vote on this proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law. Immediately after the election, all returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against the proposed amendment, as directed by Article XIV of the Maryland Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with Article XIV.

Enacted May 26, 2005.