

Approved May 25, 1995.

CHAPTER 514
(Senate Bill 244)

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Review the State's Election Law

FOR the purpose of creating a Task Force to Review the State's Election Law; specifying the composition, powers, and duties of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations by a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Task Force to Review the State's Election Law.

BY adding to

Article 41 – Governor – Executive and Administrative Departments

Section 18-307

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1993 Replacement Volume and 1994 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, The assurance of open and fair election procedures is at the core of the principles of democracy on which our country was founded; and

WHEREAS, It is essential that steps be taken to analyze the State's election law, and its implementation by the boards of election supervisors, to recommend any necessary changes in statutes, regulations, and procedures and in the voting and vote counting process; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 41 – Governor – Executive and Administrative Departments

18-307.

(A) THERE IS A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW THE STATE'S ELECTION LAW.

(B) THE TASK FORCE SHALL BE COMPOSED OF 13 MEMBERS APPOINTED AS FOLLOWS:

(1) THREE TWO MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, WITH REPRESENTATION FROM BOTH MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND ONE MEMBER OF THE HOUSE APPOINTED BY THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES;