

(2) IF A SUBSTITUTE MEMBER OF A LOCAL BOARD BECOMES A REGULAR MEMBER AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION, DIES, RESIGNS, IS REMOVED, OR BECOMES INELIGIBLE WHEN THE CONFIRMING LEGISLATIVE BODY IS NOT IN SESSION, THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT AN ELIGIBLE PERSON FROM THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY AS THE PREDECESSOR SUBSTITUTE MEMBER TO FILL THE VACANCY. THAT INDIVIDUAL SHALL SERVE UNTIL THE EARLIER OF:

(I) THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE NEXT SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; OR

(II) THE APPOINTMENT OF ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL TO FILL THE SAME VACANCY.

(I) PRESIDENT OF LOCAL BOARD.

A BOARD SHALL MEET WITHIN 20 DAYS AFTER THE BEGINNING OF THE TERM TO ELECT ONE OF ITS REGULAR MEMBERS AS PRESIDENT.

(J) SPECIAL PROVISION — PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

(1) IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, THE LOCAL BOARD CONSISTS OF FIVE REGULAR MEMBERS AND THREE SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS.

(2) FOUR REGULAR MEMBERS AND TWO SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS SHALL BE OF THE MAJORITY PARTY, AND ONE REGULAR MEMBER AND ONE SUBSTITUTE MEMBER SHALL BE OF THE PRINCIPAL MINORITY PARTY.

(3) IF A VACANCY OCCURS ON THE LOCAL BOARD AMONG THE MEMBERS FROM THE MAJORITY PARTY, THE GOVERNOR SHALL DESIGNATE ONE OF THE SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS FROM THAT PARTY TO FILL THE VACANCY.

DRAFTER'S NOTE: In subsection (d)(1) of this section, the term of a member of a local board has been changed from 2 years to 4 years.

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(A) APPLICABILITY.

EXCEPT FOR THE CITY OF BALTIMORE, THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN THE STATE IN WHICH THE MUNICIPAL OR CHARTER ELECTIONS ARE REGULATED BY THE PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF THE STATE OR THE CHARTER OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

(B) POWERS AND DUTIES.

EACH LOCAL BOARD, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD, SHALL:

(1) OVERSEE THE CONDUCT OF ALL ELECTIONS HELD IN ITS COUNTY AND ENSURE THAT THE ELECTIONS PROCESS IS CONDUCTED IN AN OPEN, CONVENIENT, AND IMPARTIAL MANNER;