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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

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HOUSE BILL No. 3

CHAPTER No. 20

## A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Article 1, title "Elective Franchise," of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, by adding a new section thereto to be known as Section 1-A, the same relating to absent voting; and to provide for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of this State for adoption or rejection.

By the HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 8th, 1918.

Introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee on Constitional Amendments.

By order,

J. J. ROBINSON, Chief Clerk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Favorable.

EDWARD S. DELAPLAINE, Chairman.

By the HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 29, 1918.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, read second time and ordered printed for third reading.

By order,

J. J. ROBINSON, Chief Clerk.

By the HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 5, 1918.

Bill No. 3 amended in Committee of the Whole.

Report of Committee of the Whole favorable, with amendments; report and amendments adopted, and bill ordered printed for third reading, as amended.

By order,

J. J. ROBINSON, Chief Clerk.

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- 1 Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Mary-
- 2 land, three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses
- 3 concurring, That the following new section be and the same is
- 4 hereby proposed as an amendment to Article 1, title "Elective
- 5 Franchise," of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, to
- 6 be inserted after Section 1, and to be known as Section 1A;
- 7 the same, if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State
- 8 as herein provided, to become a part of Article 1 of the Con-
- 9 stitution of Maryland:
- 1 Section 1A. The General Assembly of Maryland shall have
- 2 power to provide by suitable enactment for voting by qualified
- 3 voters of the State of Maryland who are absent and engaged
- 4 in the Military or Naval Service of the United States at the
- 5 time of any election from the ward or election district in which
- 6 they are entitled to vote, and for the manner in which and the
- 7 time and place at which such absent voters may vote, and for
- 8 the canvass and return of their votes,

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted by the authority afore-1 said, That said aforegoing section, hereby proposed as an 2 amendment to the Constitution, shall be at the next general 3 election for Members of Congress held in this State submitted 4 to the legal and qualified voters of the State for adoption 5 or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Ar-6 ticle XIV of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election the vote on the said proposed amendment to 8 the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there 9 shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amend-10 ment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now 11 provided by law, and immediately after said election due re-12 13 turns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said Fourteenth Ar-14 ticle of the Constitution, and further proceedings had in ac-15 cordance with said Article Fourteen. 16

Approved: MAR 22 1918

Governor.

Speaker of The House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.

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