

Provided that the provisions of this sub-title requiring the nomination of candidates by direct vote shall not apply to the nomination of such candidates for county offices, State Senate and members of the House of Delegates in the counties of Howard, Washington and Worcester, except as hereinafter provided; but such candidates shall be selected by county convention, delegates to which shall be selected in all respects as provided for in this sub-title, and the nomination of such candidates by such convention shall be duly certified by the chairman and secretary of such convention to the Board of Election Supervisors of said county; and it shall be the duty of said supervisors to place the name of such candidates upon the official ballots in the manner prescribed by the General Election Laws of this State.

All such candidates for such office, and all such delegates, managing bodies, executives and executive committees shall be nominated, selected and chosen by the direct vote of the duly registered voters belonging to or acting with such parties, respectively, in every precinct, ward, councilmanic, legislative, congressional, judicial or other election district in Baltimore City, and also in the several counties of the State of Maryland, respectively, and in each and every election precinct and election district of each of said counties of the State of Maryland, respectively, it being the intent and purpose of this act that all such candidates for public office, all delegates to party conventions, and all managing bodies, executives or executive committees of any such political party, whenever the political party usage provides for such executives or executive committees, shall be nominated by the direct vote of the duly registered voters, belonging to and acting with such parties, respectively, in Baltimore City, or any precinct, ward, councilmanic, congressional, judicial or legislative district thereof, or in any county, district or precinct thereof or in any congressional or judicial district, as the case, with respect to any public office or place or position aforesaid, may be; and that no candidate for such public office, delegates to such conventions, party executive or executive committee, or managing body of any such political party, as aforesaid, in and for Baltimore City or the several counties of the State, shall be chosen or elected by any such political convention or otherwise than by the duly registered voters belonging to or acting with said political parties as aforesaid, except as hereinafter otherwise provided.

It shall be lawful for all such parties aforesaid to elect and hold such party conventions which shall have full power and authority, in all respects, whatsoever, to act in respect to all