

matters appertaining to the organization, maintenance, conduct, affairs and interests of the party, in Baltimore City or in any county of the State, saving and excepting only the choice, selection, nomination or appointment of party candidates for such public office, delegates to such conventions, or party executives or managing bodies or executive committees, of any sort whatever, in and for Baltimore City, and the several counties and congressional and judicial districts of the State.

Provided, that the candidates of such political parties for Governor, Attorney-General, Comptroller and Clerk of the Court of Appeals of the State shall be nominated in the manner prescribed in this article by State conventions, and such State conventions elected by the direct vote in the same manner as the State conventions for the nomination of candidates for State offices, shall also elect as hereinafter set forth, delegates to national conventions and presidential electors and the governing bodies of such political parties for the State, but shall have no power to select or appoint committee or governing bodies of any character for Baltimore City nor for any division thereof nor for the counties of the State.

Any person who may be a candidate for the nomination of any party subject to the provisions of this sub-title for the office of president of the United States and who may desire to obtain the vote of the delegates from Maryland of any such party in its national convention may become a candidate for such nomination in primary elections to be held in accordance with the provisions of this act in the several counties of the State and the several legislative districts of Baltimore City and shall be entitled to have his name printed upon the official primary ballot of his party in primary elections held under and in accordance with this sub-title in said several counties and legislative districts as a candidate for such nomination for president by making the payment required and by filing a certificate of candidacy specifying the party to which he belongs and the national convention whose nomination for president he seeks and in form and in substance like the certificate of candidacy required of candidates for the nomination for the office of Governor of Maryland by section 160G of this article, except that such payment shall be made and such certificate filed by said candidate or candidates for said office of president within fifteen days before the day of the primary election for delegates to the State convention which shall select and instruct, as hereinafter provided, the delegates of each party to the national convention; and the Secretary of State immediately on receipt of such certificate and payment shall certify the fact of the filing