

as Section 51A and to follow immediately after Section 51 of said Article and sub-title, relating to the date of the Primary Election in the year 1950 and the time for conducting the registration of voters."

*Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Elections.*

Senate Bill No. 2—By the President:

A Bill entitled "An Act making an emergency appropriation for the payment of the expenses of the General Assembly of Maryland for the Extraordinary Session of 1950."

*Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.*

Senate Bill No. 3—By the President (Legislative Council):

A Bill entitled "An Act to add twenty-five (25) new sections to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title 'Elections', said new sections to be known as Sections 129-153, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 128 of said Article and to be under the new sub-title 'Voting By Mail', declaring the policy of the General Assembly in enacting this Act; making certain definitions; providing, under certain conditions, means of voting by mail at certain elections held in this State by certain residents of the State of Maryland absent or engaged in the military or naval service of the United States, as in this Act defined; providing, under certain conditions, means of registration by said residents; relating to the appointment of temporary Judges of Elections and temporary Boards of Registry and of substitute Supervisors of Elections in certain cases, defining their powers and duties and dealing with their compensation; imposing certain duties on the Secretary of State and the several Supervisors of Elections of the counties and of Baltimore City in connection with the carrying out of the provisions of this Act; authorizing the Secretary of State and said Supervisors of Elections to do any and all acts, the performance of which is committed to them by any Federal statute or statutes providing for voting by mail by such residents, and to accept any funds made available by Congress to defray the costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith; authorizing and empowering the Secretary of State, the War Ballot Commission, created by this Act, and all election officials of the State of Maryland, to use any and all facilities that may be furnished by the United States, or any department, commission or agency thereof, for the purpose of enabling such residents to register and vote by mail, as in this Act provided, and generally to cooperate in every way with the military and civil officers of the United States and all departments, commissions and agencies thereof, to enable such persons so to do; creating a War Ballot Commission and defining the powers and authority thereof; providing that this Act shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purposes; making certain acts criminal offenses and prescribing penalties therefor;