

Section 6. Vacancies Occurring During Present Term of the General Assembly.

(a) In case of death, disqualification, resignation, refusal to act, expulsion, or removal from the county for which he shall have been elected, of any person who shall have been chosen as a delegate or senator, or in case of a tie vote between two or more such qualified persons, the governor shall appoint a person whose name shall be submitted to him in writing, within thirty days after the occurrence of the vacancy, by the state central committee of the political party with which the delegate or senator, so vacating, had been affiliated in the county or district from which he or she was elected, provided that the appointee shall be of the same political party as the person whose office is to be filled; and it shall be the duty of the governor to make said appointment within fifteen days after the submission thereof to him. If a name is not submitted by the state central committee within thirty days after the occurrence of the vacancy, the governor within another period of fifteen days shall appoint a person, who shall be of the same political party as the person whose office is to be filled, and who is otherwise properly qualified to hold the office of delegate or senator in the district or county. In every case when any person is so appointed by the governor, his appointment shall be deemed to be for the unexpired term of the person whose office has become vacant.

(b) In addition, and in submitting a name to the governor to fill a vacancy in a senatorial district or subdistrict, as the case may be, in any of the counties of Maryland, the state central committee or committees shall follow these provisions:

(1) If the vacancy occurs in a district or subdistrict having the same boundaries as a county, the state central committee of the county shall submit the name of a resident of the district or subdistrict.

(2) If the vacancy occurs in a district or subdistrict which has boundaries comprising a portion of one county, the state central committee of that county shall submit the name of a resident of the district or subdistrict.

(3) If the vacancy occurs in a district or subdistrict which has boundaries comprising a portion or all of two or more counties, the state central committee of each county involved shall have one vote for submitting the name of a resident of the district or subdistrict; and if there is a tie vote between or among the state