

route, if any; (2) That he is a qualified voter of the ward or election district in which he resides; (3) In case he voted at the preceding election, the ward or election district where he so voted; (4) That he expects in good faith to be unavoidably absent from the State of Maryland on the day of the next primary or general or special election for whatever reason, specifying it.

(c) Only the members of the Supervisors of Elections and employees designated by it in writing for such purpose and any notary public or other officer authorized to administer oaths shall have authority to administer the oath to any voter making the affidavit required in said application for an absentee ballot.

(d) Printed forms of applications for absentee ballots in accordance with the requirements of this section shall be provided by the Boards of Supervisors of Elections. They shall be distributed only in the following manner:

(1) Each Board of Supervisors of Elections shall retain an appropriate number for the purpose of furnishing an application form to each qualified voter who desires to apply in person to the Board; and

(2) Each Board shall mail an application form to each qualified voter who makes application by mail, pursuant to the provisions of this sub-title.

Such application forms shall not be furnished to any person except as hereinbefore in this section authorized.

235. Voting by Disabled, Ill Persons. Any qualified voter whose physical disability WHICH CONFINES HIM TO A HOSPITAL OR CAUSES HIM TO BE CONFINED TO BED AND prevents or will prevent him from being present and personally voting at the polls on any election day shall be considered an absentee voter of this State. Such person shall make application in accordance with Section 234 (b) (1), (2) and (3), and shall obtain a certificate from a duly licensed physician of this State as evidence of his qualification for an absentee ballot hereunder. The certificate shall state that the voter is mentally competent to vote in elections in this State, and that because of illness or injury WHICH CONFINES HIM TO A HOSPITAL OR CAUSES HIM TO BE CONFINED TO BED, the voter is now, or will be prevented from personally voting at said election. Such certificate shall be filed with the Board of Supervisors of Elections of the City of Baltimore or the county of residence of the voter not later than ten (10) days prior to any election. Thereupon such Boards shall mail to the voter entitled thereto an absentee ballot. In all other respects, absentee voting as provided for in this section shall be similar to and controlled by the applicable procedure provided by law in the case of absentee voting.

236. Determination Upon Absentee Voters' Applications for Ballots; Delivery of Ballots.

(a) Upon receipt of such application containing the affidavit, the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall determine upon such inquiry as it deems proper whether the applicant is a voter legally qualified to vote at such election in the ward or election district stated in his application as the one in which he resides, and if it finds he is not so