

and who are registered as voters in county elections and from the owners of not less than twenty-five per centum (25%) of the assessed valuation of the real property located in the area to be annexed. The resolution shall describe by a description of clearly ascertained boundary lines by landmarks and other well-known terms consistent with descriptions of other areas included in the said Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission the exact area proposed to be included in the change and briefly and accurately describing the conditions and circumstances applicable thereto.

1095A. (b) - (73-1A) (b) Initiation by petition.

The proposal for such inclusion also may be initiated by a written petition signed by not less than twenty-five per centum (25%) of the persons who reside in the area to be annexed and who are registered as voters in county elections and by the owners of not less than twenty-five (25%) of the assessed valuation of the real property located in the area to be included. Upon the presentation of such a petition to the Board of County Commissioners, the Chairman thereof shall cause to be made a verification of the signatures thereon and shall ascertain that the persons signing the petition represent at least twenty-five per centum (25%) of the persons who reside in the area to be included and who are registered as voters in county elections, and the owners of twenty-five per centum (25%) of the assessed valuation of the real property located in the area to be included. Upon verifying that the requirements of this sub-section have been complied with the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners shall promptly cause to be introduced a resolution proposing the change of boundaries as requested by the petition.

The resolution in form and content shall conform to the requirements of this section. The resolution may be adopted by a majority of the Board of County Commissioners at a regular hearing, after giving such notice as the Board of County Commissioners may determine. The resolution adopted in either case, whether initiated by the Board of County Commissioners or by Petition as above provided shall not be effective until approved by a majority vote in a referendum at which referendum those persons residing in said area proposed to be included, and who are registered as voters in county elections may vote. The ballots on the voting machines, as the case may be, shall contain a summary of the resolution with suitable provisions for the voter to indicate a choice for or against it. If said resolution be approved by a majority of the voters voting in said referendum, the same shall be deemed enacted and effective as proposed on the 14th day following the referendum.

1095A. (c) - (73-1A) (c) Time of referendum. Notice.

The Board of County Commissioners shall set a date for the referendum on the resolution, which shall be not less than 15 days and not more than 45 days from the publication of notices thereon. Such notices shall be published twice at not less than weekly intervals in a newspaper of general circulation in the area to be included. The notices shall state the resolution and describe the area to be annexed and specify the time and place or places at which the referendum will be held which place or places shall be within the limits of the area to be included.