

AMENDMENTS, THE SAME IF ADOPTED BY THE LEGAL AND QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE STATE, AS HEREWITH PROVIDED, TO BECOME A PART OF THE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND, AND TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

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~~THERE SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE LEGAL AND QUALIFIED VOTERS OF SAID CITY, ONE CHIEF JUDGE, AND THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF ASSOCIATE JUDGES, THERE SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE LEGAL AND QUALIFIED VOTERS OF SAID CITY THE NUMBER OF ASSOCIATE JUDGES REQUIRED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHO, TOGETHER, SHALL CONSTITUTE THE SUPREME BENCH OF BALTIMORE CITY, AND SHALL HOLD THEIR OFFICES FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CONSTITUTION WITH REGARD TO THE ELECTION AND QUALIFICATIONS OF JUDGES, AND THEIR REMOVAL FROM OFFICE, AND SHALL EXERCISE THE JURISDICTION, HERINAFTER SPECIFIED, AND SHALL EACH RECEIVE AN ANNUAL SALARY WHICH SHALL NOT BE DIMINISHED DURING THEIR TERM OF OFFICE.~~

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the foregoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of this State shall be, at the next general election, to be held in this State in the year 1968, submitted to the legal and qualified voters thereof for their adoption or rejection in pursuance of the directions contained in Article 14 of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election, the vote on the said proposed amendment shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now prescribed by law, and immediately after said election, due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said Article 14 of the Constitution and further proceedings had in accordance with said Article 14; BUT IF THE PROPOSED NEW CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND IS RATIFIED BY THE VOTERS OF THE STATE AT THE SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION ON MAY 14, 1968, THIS ACT SHALL BE NULL AND VOID AND THE AMENDMENTS TO THE PRE-EXISTING CONSTITUTION PROPOSED BY THIS ACT SHALL NOT BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT THE GENERAL ELECTION IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1968.

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CHAPTER 618

(House Bill 16)

AN ACT to add new Sections 470A through 470Y, inclusive, to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title "Natural Resources," to follow immediately after Section 470 thereof, and to be under the new subtitle "Maryland