

CHAPTER 108
(Senate Bill 476)

AN ACT to provide that at the general or congressional election in Howard County in November 1968, there shall also be a primary election for selecting candidates for election to the County Council and for County Executive of Howard County, in conjunction with the vote on a proposed new charter under Article 11A of the Constitution, and relating generally to the requirements and details for this primary election.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That at the general or congressional election to be held in Howard County in the month of November, 1968, at which time there will be submitted to the voters of Howard County a proposed new charter under Article 11A of the Constitution of Maryland, there shall also be a primary election for selecting candidates for election to the County Council and for County Executive of Howard County. This primary election shall be held and conducted in general conformity with the statutes regulating elections in Howard County, except that the final day for filing for nomination in the primary election shall be the Tuesday which is five weeks or thirty-five days prior to the day of the general or congressional election. The Board of County Commissioners and the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Howard County shall do such things as are necessary and proper under the election laws to conduct the primary election as herein required.

A vote cast against the adoption of the charter shall not be held to bar the voter from expressing his choice in the primary election.

If a majority of the votes cast on the question of adoption of the charter are cast against adoption, the results of the primary election shall be void and of no further effect. If a majority of the votes cast on the question of adoption of the charter are cast for adoption, the several persons nominated in the primary election shall be certified as the candidates for County Council and for County Executive of Howard County at the general election to be held thereafter.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved April 10, 1968.

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(Senate Bill 477)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 56 of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Public Education," subtitle "Chapter 5. County Board of Education," providing that in Frederick County the title to grounds, sites and buildings no longer needed for school purposes shall vest in the County Commissioners of Frederick County and may be sold, leased or otherwise disposed of (except by gift) by the Commissioners.